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1 of 60,000	3,000	612 of 1,000	50
1 of 55,000	2,750	16.0 of 300	15
1 of 50,000	2,500	20 of 200	13-10
1 of 40,000	2,000	77 of 100	10
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON, APRIL 10.

The Bombay Mails of 29th ult., arrived at Brindisi to-day.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols .....£94 1-18 = plus 1-16
3 per cent. Rentes .....£101 =
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan.....£103 =
3½ per cent. Govt. Securities...£94 1-2 =
Bar Silver in London .....24 3-4 =
Do New York .....53 3-4 =
Exchange on London at Paris. 25'10 1-2 = plus 1-2
Do New York ..... 4'87 5-8 =
Discount, Bank of England, 3 per cent. =
„ Short London Bills 2 3-4 „
„ Indian Bank Bills 2 3-4 „
Rapeseed Yellow Cawapore, 39 1-2. April-May. Sellers. Tone dull.
Rapeseed Brown, 36 3-4. May-June. Business done.
Arrivals.—"Den of Ogil," "Tokio".
Extra transfers on Bombay Rs. 1 laks at 1s 3 31-32d.
Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady. Surats firmer. Manchester was firm. Total sales 18,000 bales. Sold on speculation and for export 2,000 bales. Surats 50. Imports nil. Spot 5 2-32. Arrivals closed quiet.

Apl. Apl.-May.	June-July.	Sept.-Oct.	Nov.-Dec.
4'39 4'39	4'39	4'40	4'39
+1 +2	+1	+1	+1

In New York—

Receipts at the Port	12,000 bales.
Do. last year	15,000 „
Exports to Great Britain	nil „
Do. to Continent	4,000 „
Mid-Uplands	9 1-4
Futures, month of July	9'01 —5
Do. do. Oct.	8'19 +4

The Bank of England returns for the week ending Wednesday, show the following results :—

Total Bullion	£35 900,000 Dec.	£100 000
Public Deposits	£9,400,000 Dec.	£5,700 000
Other do.	£33,900,000 Dec.	£2 300,000
Other Securities	£28,800,000 Dec.	£7,800,000
Notes and Gold	£23,000,000 Dec.	£ 300,000

The Bank's reserve is 48 per cent. of the liabilities.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, during the 24' hours ending at 6 p.m., on Thursday, the 10th April 1902 :—

Cotton	7,915 bales.
Wheat	6 036 cwt'.
Linseed	21,838 „
Rapeseed	15 567 „
Gingellyseed	2,249 „
Poppyseed	2,950 „
Groundnuts	300 „
Castorseed	5,044 „
Rice	41,183 „
Myrabollams	5,360 „
Cottonseed	9,992 „

Imports of Silver Bullion, ex s. s. "Oceanien," from Adelaide, Rs. 1,26,355.

BOMBAY FRIDAY, APRIL 11.

The undernoted extract from the Report of the chairman of the Bombay Port Trust, for the eleven months ending 28th February last, will be of interest to all connected with the import and export trade of Bombay. It is a condensed account of the actual shipments and receipts, and shows at a glance the comparisons with previous years. The note at the end leaves nothing to be added, and the only item remaining to complete the list is the imports and exports of treasure and metals for the period noted.

TRADE AND TRAFFIC STATISTICS.

The Trade Statistics for the month of March are not yet available, and the figures can only be given for the 11 months ending 28 th February. This will, however, suffice for a general comparison.

The Dock dues on goods and wharfage fees at the Bunders are the best guide to the total volume of trade, and the figures for the 11 months compare with those of the corresponding period in the previous year as follows :—

	1901-02.	1900-01.	Increase.	Decr.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Foreign Trade—				
Imports	8,95,000	8 28,000	67,000	....
Exports	8,44,0	5,71,000	2,73,000	....
Total....	17,39,000	13,99,0 0	3,40,000	....
Coasting Trade—				
Imports	4,45 000	5,81,000	....	1,36,000
Exports	1,85,000	2,14,000	....	29,000
Total....	6,30,0 0	7,95,000	....	1,65,000
Total—				
Imports	13,40,000	14,09,0 0	....	69,000
Exports	10,29,000	7,85,000	2,44,000	....
Grand Total....	23,69,0 0	21,94,0 0	1,75,000	....

This table shows at a glance that the increase in receipts during the year was in the Foreign Trade and principally in the Foreign Export Trade.

The statistics of trade for 11 months compare with those of the same period in previous years as follows, the figures in each case being in thousands.

IMPORTS.
Figures in thousands (000 ommitted).

	1901-02.	1900-01.	1899-00.	1898-99.	1897-98.
Grain—					
Wheat, tons	103	98	55	53	68
Rice „	273	601	432	191	191
Other Grains, tons	74	145	127	17	70
Total Grain, tons	450	844	614	211	332
Piece-goods, packages	272	214	273	290	224
Sugar, tons	109	111	73	88	93
Iron „	67	47	42	56	66
Machinery, tons	28	21	28	56	30
Gilts, packages	31	27	29	24	30
Hardware, packages	35	31	23	22	19
Coal, tons	572	416	388	343	284
Kerosine { Tins,	579	692	1,669	1,615	1,698
Kerosine { Bulk, Gallons	1,651	9,313	3,170	2,289	5,072

EXPORTS.
Figures in thousand (000 ommitted).

Cotton, packages	1,145	581	817	1,035	742
Grain—					
Foreign, tons	45	33	170	112	33
Coasting tons	128	200	204	67	87
Total tons	173	233	374	0 0	137
Seeds, tons	516	738	3 1	469	281
Twist and Yarn, lbs	651	324	503	462	509
Bone dust and meal, tons	35	48	36	22	15
Myrabollams, tons	39	15	34	32	24

There is an improvement in almost every item of both import and export shown in these tables, except grain. The movements of food grains were considerably less than in the previous two years owing to there being less pressure from famine. There was, however, practically no Foreign Export of grain. The improvement in Imports of Piece-goods, Coal and Kerosine and in exports of Cotton Seeds, and Twist and Yarn is satisfactory. Iron, Glass and Hardware also show considerable improvement. Machinery imports, though better than last year, are still below the average.

The export of bones, bone dust and meal, though less than in 1900-01, still continues to be considerable. The export of hides it may be mentioned fell from 2,400,000 in the previous year to 1,00,000.

The improvement in the exports of seeds contributed most to the increase in the receipts from wharfage, but it is satisfactory that a large part of the increase is nevertheless attributable to a general advance under a considerable number of other items, while the decrease in coasting trade, due to less movement of food grains, is scarcely a matter for regret, being a consequence of improvement in the condition of the country.

The improvement in the volume of business passing in the cotton market, which commenced last week, has been continued throughout the present week. We have received continued strong advices from Liverpool and America, where prices have advanced to 5 1-16 and 9 1-4 cents, respectively, and this has reacted on our local market. There has been a good enquiry daily from both exporters and the local mills, and a large business has been reported. Shipments to Europe have been on a larger scale than has lately been experienced, and while shipments to Japan have been temporarily stopped owing to the absence of tonnage, a good amount of buying has taken place for that market, and arrangements have been made for large shipments in the immediate future. The tone of the market at the close is strong, and prices have advanced Rs. 5 to 6 per candy since last mail day in most descriptions of cotton, while in Saw-ginned Dharwar a rise of Rs. 9 has taken place. Upcountry markets have advanced in proportion, and though holders of cotton locally have been willing to meet the daily enquiry up to the present time, a continuation of rising prices in the Governing markets will doubtless cause a corresponding check to the business which is now daily reported at Colaba. Considerable purchases have been made by the local mills during the week, and the renewed ease in the money market has probably contributed to this buying.

While arrivals and shipments of seeds are daily proceeding on a fairly large scale, the markets have remained quiet but steady and the new business reported is only moderate. The Linseed market continues to be very sensitive. Early in the week with some enquiry from shippers the price advanced to Rs. 9-10 for bold seed, but lately the demand has fallen off and we close at about last week's quotations. Rapeseed has remained steady with scarcely any fluctuations in price. Poppyseed is a shade easier, though arrivals of this article are still small. The groundnuts season is practically over. Cotton seed has again been in demand and prices are rising.

The Piece-goods market is showing signs of improvement. Prices are steady with a tendency to rise. There are fair enquiries from upcountry and dealers are getting more confident of the future. Deliveries are fair. A few ready sales have been effected but no indent business is reported. Prices at home have, during the last two weeks, gone up by about 6 per cent and Bombay dealers are unable to offer anywhere near present Manchester quotations. The tone in the market however on the whole is better and an improvement is expected very shortly.

The Coal market is very quiet. Small resales are reported of Davison's West Hartley at Rs. 15 and of West Hartley main at Rs. 14. In Bengal small sales of Heilger's authracite are said to have been made at Rs. 12-4.

The freight Market has been quiet but steady throughout the week. Several rates have been made for Hamburg and Antwerp at 12s. 6d. April loading. Bookings are reported at 12s. 9d. Anfwer on inquiry 13s. Dunkirk and Havre and Liverpool 13s. 3d. an enquiry has again arisen for shipments of Cottonseed and Native shippers have taken freight to some extent. For May June picked ports business has been done at 12s, 9d, and it is also reported that a line was booked at 12s. 6d. We hear of no fixtures for Europe during the week but a P. & O. steamer was taken up for Japan April loading.

In the metal market we hear of little business passing during the week in copper or yellow metal. The dealers have apparently filled up their immediate requirements and are now holding off. Prices remain steady. In iron the demand is very slack and business is almost at a standstill. Spelter is weak and the same remark applies to pig lead and quicksilver.

The local yarn market is steady with prices slightly tending upwards following the rise in cotton, but the demand is slack and business is checked by the fluctuations in the China exchanges.

The following changes appear in the Bank of Bombay statement, dated 5th April, compared with the previous week :—

		LIABILITIES.
Public Deposits	...	Rs. 2,99,255 Decrease
Other Deposits	...	„ 74 63,828 Increase
Credits Undrawn	...	„ 2,29 883 Decrease
		ASSETS.
Government Securities	...	Rs. 4,77,794 Increase
Other Authorized Securities		„ 39,950 do.
Credits on Securities	...	„ 8,48 786 Decrease
Loans do.	...	„ 19,51 512 Increase
Bills discounted & purchased	...	„ 13,20,129 do.
Balance with other Banks	...	„ 52,189 Decrease
Cash	...	„ 40,44 140 Increase.

These figures show a decline in the trade demand of 48·11 lakhs. The Bank of Bengal statement, dated the 8th inst. shows a decline in the trade demand of 15 1-2 lakhs. Cash at Head Office is 6 1-2 lakhs up and at the branches 22 1-2 lakhs up. Government balances are 22 lakhs higher and the Bank's investments have increased 8 lakhs. The Bank rate was reduced 1 per cent. yesterday afternoon by the Directors of The Bank of Bombay. The rate is now 6 per cent. being the same as the Bank of Bengal. Money has been very easy since last mail left. Many of the Banks now refuse to quote for short deposits for two or three months, and the best rate obtainable has been 3 1-2 to 4 per cent. per annum. The total applications for Council Bills on Wednesday last amounted to 709 lakhs for the 50 lakhs put up for tender. The rates received again declined one thirty-second, twenty-eight lakhs of bills were allotted at 1-3 29-32 tenderers receiving only 4 per cent. and twenty-two lakhs of telegraphic transfers at 1-3 31-33, tenderers receiving in full. A small extra allotment of bills amounting to Rs. 20,000 was taken at 1-3 15-16 and four lakhs of extra T. Trs. were allotted at the same rate as the weekly allotment, viz., 1-3 31-32. The amount for next week has been reduced to thirty lakhs. Exchange has been very uninteresting throughout the week, Bank paper has been quoted 1-3 29-32 for T. T. and 1-3 5-16 for Demand. The enquiry at these rates has been very limited, and occasionally Bank T. T. has been given for cash and forward delivery at 1-3 15-16. There has been some inquiry from the bazaar at 1-3 31-32 for Bank Demand for near delivery, but this rate has not been given by the Banks, except, at the close, for May June delivery to houses. In mercantile paper three months' sight credits D. A. have been quoted 1s. 4 1-8d. for ready and forward delivery. Early in the week 1s. 4 3-32d. was available for late May and June delivery, but since Tuesday this rate was not obtainable. A moderate amount of bills are reported to have been placed at 1s. 4 1-8d. for April and May. The reduction in the amount of Councils for allotment next week has caused a steadier feeling in the market. To-day's quotations for Bank paper are practically the same as they were this time last year, and by the end of April 1901 Bank Demand had again risen to 1s. 4 1-32d. But heavy Government paper settlements contributed somewhat to this rise in exchange, and it seems improbable that the same cause will effect the market this year.

The mail of the 28th March, arrived Bombay this afternoon, brought silver to Bombay £100,000 and gold £48,000 and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	lakhs	26 90
Bombay	„	27 40
Madras	„	4'15 or 58·40 lakhs.

The mail of the 4th April, due in Bombay about the 18th April brings silver to Bombay £160,000 and gold £30,000 and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	lakhs	24 30.
Bombay	„	15 90
Madras	„	6·10=46·30 lakhs.

The mail of the 11th April, due in Bombay about the 25th April brings silver to Bombay £160,000 and gold £50,000 and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	lakhs	15 10
Bombay	„	11 60
Madras	„	6 50=28·20 lakhs.

In the bullion market an active demand has continued to exist for silver and a large business has been put through during the week gold is quiet not a small business passing.

There have been some fluctuations in the Rupee paper market since last mail left. The upward movement which was then in force received a check, and the bears succeeded in pulling down the rate to below 97. This decline was due to conflicting reports regarding the arrival in Bombay of large remittances of cash to pay off existing loans on Rupee paper. The money has not yet been received in Bombay, and the bazaar commenced to unload their purchases endeavouring to secure profits. This caused a decline to 96 15 for the settlement, when a steadier feeling set in and a reaction took place. It is confidently reported that the money is coming to Bombay, and a large block of paper amounting to upwards of three-quarters of a crore will be withdrawn from the market. The closing rate is 97-6 for cash and settlement.

The market is steady and unchanged during the week under report. Bank of Bombay shares are reported to have changed hands at 1240. In Mill shares Centrals are quiet at Rs. 1,500, while Swadeshis are steady at Rs. 602 1-2 Manockji Petit Mill shares are steady and have improved to 1655, Morarjee Mills are quiet and have changed hands at Rs. 1,400 cum-divid, while Sholapurs have improved to 1,700 cum-divid. Southern Maratha Mill shares are quiet at 155. Davids are unchanged at 255 and Standards quiet at 180, Currimbhai at 160. Messrs. Graves Cotton and Coy. Mill shares are all unchanged and steady at previous quotations with scarcely any transactions reported.

In press shares Mofussils are, reported to have changed hands 412 1-2, New Bears at 517 1-2 and New Indians at 255, Velkarts are quiet at 960. In Railway Companies Tapties are reported to have been placed at 416 1-4 cum-divid and Ahmedabad Prantej are quiet at 545 X.D. In miscellaneous Companies Bombay Burmahs are unchanged at 6,700. Port Cannings have changed hands at 425 kemp's are weak at 280 and Treachers at 740.

The followieg are closing quotations :—

Bombay Port Trust 4 per cent repayable 1931			Rs. 100-8	
Do.	4	do.	do. 1922	„ 99-8
Bombay Municipal debentures	4	do.	do. 1939 40	„ 97-4
Do	4	do.	do. 1928	„ 96-12
Bombay Improvement Trust	4	do.	do. 1960	„ 99-4
EXCHANGE—Tone steady.				
Bank T. T.				1s 3 29-32d
Bank Demand				1s 3 15-16d
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A...				1s 4 1-8d
Do 6 do		do		1s 4 1-4d
French Francs 3 do		do		109 1-2
Marks 3 do		do		137 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight				130 1-2
Shanghai 30 „ „				177
Japan 30 „ „				149 1-2
GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent.				Tone steady.
Cash				97-6
1st Settlement				97-6
BANK RATE—				
Bank of England since 6th Febry.				3 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 10th April				6 do
Bank of Bengal do. 3rd April				6 do
SEEDS.—				
Linseed.—Tone quite.				
Ready				9 8 to 9 9
Forward, May ...				9 8 to 9 9
Rapeseed.—Tone quiet				
Brown Cawnpore, Ready				6 4 to 6 6
Do. Forward, May...				6 4 to 6 6
Yellow Cawnpore Ready				6 11 to 6 12
Do. Forward May...				6 11 to 6 12
Poppyseed.—Tone quiet.				
Ready				8 11
Forward, May ...				8 9 to 8 10
Castorseed.—Tone quiet.				
Ready				28 4
Forward, May ...				29 4
Groundnuts. Tone quiet.				
Ready ...				43

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Growths.	Fine.	F.-G.	Good.	Delivery.
Bengals, H.-G. (Ry. terms)	166	159	154	25 April
Bengals, M.-G. (Ry. terms)	176	170	...	do.
Sind-Fenjab (M.-G.)	176	170	...	do.
Bolati (M.-G.)	191	183	...	do.
Khandeish, (M.-G.)	...	178	...	do.
Dhamangaon Poolgaun	194	188	...	do.
Oomra good staple	...	199	...	do.
Akola M.-G.	} 195	189	...	do.
Khamgaum do.				
Karanja, do.				
Broach do.	221	...	215	do.
Bhownugger (H. G.)	...	...	188	15-25 May
S.-G. Dharwar	...	...	213	do.
Westerns	...	...	192	do.
Cotton—Tone strong.				

COTTON STATISTICS.

	sales.
Receipts for the week	55,998
Receipts from 1st Oct. to 9th April	16,46,971
Shipments for the week, to Europe	17,491
Do. China, Japan, and Coast Ports	16,997
Total	31,998

Shipments from 1st October to 9th April. :—

Europe	372,812
Japan	411,757
China	6,658
Coast Ports	7,141
Total	765,671
Afloat in Harbour for Europe	8,851
China, Japan and Coast Ports	5,441

Week's arrivals of Cottor, Wheat and Seeds :—

Cotton	58, 592 Bales.
Wheat	52,462 cwts.
Linseed	131,695 „
Rapeseed	157,521 „
Gingellyseed	16,114 „
Poppyseed	113,154 „
Groundnuts	3,262 „
Castorseed	39,656 „
Rice	187,850 „
Myrabollams	41,759 „
Cottonseed	53,506 „

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATH and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the senders) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line, CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

EUROPE.

BIRTHS.

DUFFERIN AND AVA—March 20, at Cadogan Square, the Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava, of a daughter.

SMITH—March 29, at Southwick Street, Hyde Park, wife of F H Smith, Geological Survey of India, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

ARMITAGE—MARSHALL—March 18, at St Paul's, Onslow Square, the Rev P Armitage to Elizabeth Christina, daughter of Lieut-Col Marshall.

BLAKE—McKELLAR—March 22 at St James's Church, Piccadilly, Major-Gen G F Blake, late of the Royal Marines to Lilian Mary, daughter of M W McKellar, of the Middle Temple, barrister-at-law.

LAMBERT—SQUIRE—March 24, at St James's Church, Hampstead, G H, son of Major H C Lambert, to Jessie, daughter of J Squire.

DEATHS.

BRUCE-GARDYNE—March 17, at Brighton, widow of Major E Bruce-Gardyne, late 6th Royal Warwickshire Regt, and daughter of late Major-Genl R B MacLeod, 21st Hussars (now 21st Lancers), aged 53.

BRUNER—March 21, at Ormo Square, I Brunel, D C L, sometime Chancellor of the Diocese of Ely, son of the late I K Brunel, C E, aged 64.

CORRY-SMITH—March 24, at Embankment, Bedford, Second Lieut H Corry-Smith, R A, son of Lieut-Col Corry-Smith, aged 19.

GREEN—March 21, Col A Green, late Rifle Bridgade, of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, aged 75.

HARVEY—March 23, at Palace Gate, Kensington, A N, son of Sir Randal and the late Lady Harvey.

LITHTON—March 22, at Clifton, widow of the Rev Sir C R Lighton, Bart, aged 80.

MCQUEEN—March 3, killed in action at Benginesi, Orange River Colony, S Africa, Lieut Malcolm Stewart M'Queen, Indian Staff Corps, son of Lieut-Genl Sir John McQueen, aged 24.

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TO-DAY.

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Meeting of Parsees for a Coronation Address, Sir Jamsetjee Institution, Fort, 5-15 p.m.

Royal Bombay Yacht Club Races.

Bombay Gymkhana Lawn-Tennis Tournament (singles) first round.

Mr. H. Scott-Leslie's Entertainment, Great Western Hotel, 9-15 p. m.

TO-MORROW.

Sun rises, 5h. 45m. Sun sets, 6h. 16m. High water, 2-14m., 3-3a. Low water, 8-6 m., 9-2a.

PARSEE CYCLING CLUB.—Members meet at the Club Tent at 6-15 a. m. to-morrow, for a run to Mahim via Jacob's Circle and Dharavi and back.

MANOCKJEE NUSSERWANJEE PETIT'S CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—The total number of patients treated during the last month was 4,962, the daily average being 159. The total of new patients was 774.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Lamu, Mombassa, Tanga, Dar-es-alam, Ibo, Chindi, Zanzibar, Beira and Mozambique, per s. s. Somali, will be closed at the General Post Office at 2 p. m. on Monday, the 14th Instant.

LECTURE.—A public lecture will be delivered by Mr. D. Gostling at the Bhavatsky Lodge, Theosophical Society, Bombay Branch, 37, Hornby Road, Fort, to-morrow (Sunday) at 6 p. m. Subject :—Diet and Food in relation to Health.

ACCIDENT AT COLABA CAUSEWAY.—Yesterday evening while Mr. F. Clayton with Mrs. Hirst and Mrs. Baker was driving along the Colaba Causeway, Bombay, his horse got suddenly frightened and got his hind leg over the shaft. Upon this all of them jumped out of the carriage and Mrs. Hirst got her arm slightly hurt while doing so. The horse was also hurt and the carriage damaged.

FOUND FLOATING IN A WELL.—The dead body of a full-limbed infant was discovered by the Bombay Police in a well at Bhoiwada Cross Road, Parel, yesterday morning. On inquiry the Police found out the mother of the infant, one, by name of Kasi, aged 34, whom they sent to the Motiba Hospital for treatment. She has been detained in the hospital and on recovery will be placed before a Magistrate for concealing the birth of the child.

DISTURBING A FUNERAL PROCESSION.—At the Mazagon Police Court yesterday, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Williamson charged Pandu Gunpat, a Hindu mendicant, Abdula Oomer, a farrier, and Mahomed Abdulla a "khalasi" with causing disturbance amongst a Hindu funeral procession on its way to Sonapoor, and causing indignity to the deceased. All the accused, under the influence of liquor, met the procession on Wednesday morning last, when the second accused pushed at a torch-bearer, and the first accused put out the torch. Then taking hold of some bamboos, the second accused struck them on the dead body bearers and caused a panic-stricken. The second accused was at once arrested, while the first and the third effected their escape. They too were subsequently brought into police custody. The accused stated that they did not know what had happened as they were drunk. The Magistrate said that the offence would have caused a riot, but for the women who formed a major portion of the procession. The first accused was sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment. The second accused was ordered to undergo 6 months' rigorous imprisonment. The third accused was fined Rs. 10.

LIBEL ACTION AGAINST GOVERNMENT.

J. M. CURSETJEE AGAINST THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

BEFORE the Appeal Court composed of the Hon. Mr. Justice Candy and the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavatkar, yesterday were heard further arguments on appeal by Government from a decision of the Hon. Mr. Justice Starling in the suit filed by Mr. J. M. Cursetjee against the Secretary of State for India for libel, in which the defendants were ordered to disclose and give inspection of documents relating to the suit. Mr. Inverarity and Mr. Raikes, instructed by Messrs. Ardeshir, Hormusjee Dinshaw and Co., appeared for the plaintiff, and the Hon. Mr. Scott, Advocate-General, instructed by the Government Solicitor for the appellant, the Secretary of State for India.

Their lordships before delivering Judgment heard arguments in the question of preliminary issue raised by Mr. Inverarity as to whether an appeal lay on the order passed by the Hon. Mr. Justice Starling directing the defendants to make a full and complete affidavit of documents, and to give inspection of the same to the plaintiff. Their lordships held that the second part of the order of the lower court relating to the inspection was wrong and should be modified as it was made without jurisdiction, and the defendants should have liberty, to object to any particular document for any valid ground.

The Hon. Mr. Scott asked that, as the court had decided that an appeal lay from the decision of the Hon. Mr. Justice Starling, and as that decision was given without jurisdiction, the Appeal Court should not hold that the inspection asked for should not be given until certain preliminary questions of law were decided, and he further asked the court to decide what those preliminary questions should be.

Their lordships, after hearing counsel on the point, held that no appeal lay on the first

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THE Asiatic S N Co's steamer Nairung, 2,861 tons, Captain W H Edge, which arrived in harbour on Thursday evening, from Calcutta via coast ports, with a general cargo and 18 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Java, 919 tons, Captain H McDiarmed, which arrived in harbour on Tuesday evening, from the Persian Gulf, via Karachi, brought a general cargo, and Mr Stern, Mr Rand and 62 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Dumra, 761 tons, Captain E C Russell, sailed yesterday, for Karachi, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr and Mrs Jacob, Mrs Tourier, Miss Jones, Capt A W Cherry, Mrs Willey and child, Mrs Malcolm and child, one woman and 200 deck.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—APRIL 11.

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H M S Assaye			Lambert		Torpedo Catcher
H M S Magdala			Hewett, R N		Turret Ship
Penaeetica					Receiving Hulk
H M S Ahvasstia					Turret-ship
Torpedo Boat No 101					I Defence
Torpedo Boat No 104					I Defence
R I M S Clive			Pilfield		R I Marine
Valetta	2974	Cubbitt	China	12-3	P & O Co
Parramatta	2941	Cook			P & O Co
Jelunga		Hutchinson			M M & Co
Assyria	339	Skinner	P Gulf		M M & Co
Lodovich	2230	Bartulich	W & A Graham & Co		
Kh Kirrant	4147	Kendall	Antwerp		K N & Co
Canara	1276	Henderson			M M & Co
Metis	2167	Marshall	W & A Graham & Co		
Queen Alexandra	2768	Harris			Standard Oil Co
Orwell	2415	Frame			I Defence
Chigwell	1191	Underhay			W & A G & Co
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Rola	3391	Livingstone			M M & Co
Syria		Haughton			Transport
Victoria	453	Crowe			P & O Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.—APRIL 11.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Tns.	Capt.	Destination	Dats.	Agent.
A	Somali	1623	Birch	Zanzibar	164	A Saunders
B	Pollcon	1215	Fore	Trieste	124	A L S N Co
C	Messapqua	1935	Watkins	Moulmein	154	W & AG & Co
F	Bolton Hall	2237	Lewis	Antwerp	154	Mackintosh
K	Gairlock	2240	Veals	Havre	244	W & Anst
M	Bahadur	2561	Peters	China	264	P & O Co
N	Argonlelt	3659	Forge	Hamburg	154	Glade & Co
P	Dumoly	459	Nicol	Hamburg	154	T M & Co
Q	Patiala	1929	Phillips	Zanzibar	164	M M & Co

ARRIVALS.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
11	Syria (Transport)	Haughton	Durban, Mar 28
	Victoria	Crowe	Aden, April 6

DEPARTURES.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
11	Culcutta	Bartulich	Galca ta
	Dumra	Russell	Karachi

THE steamer Massapoqua, Watkins, for Moulmein, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

CALCUTTA.

DEPARTURES.

April 8—Stra. Deepdale and Indra, and a steamer.

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ARRIVALS.

	Vessels.	Arrived from
April. 3	Clan Forbes	Glasgow
7	Ellora	Calcutta
8	Clan Macleod	Coconada
9	Zibenghla	Rangoon Coast
9	Nuddea	Rangoon

DAILY EXPORTS.—APRIL 11.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Asia s—11 casks Indian condiments and 13 cases curry powder, Merwanjee P & Sons; 40 bales wool, R M Kooka; 37 bales wool, Forbes, Forbes and Co; 115 bales wool, W and A Graham and Co; 89 bales hemp, C Govindram; 55 bales wool, David Sassoon and Co.

Gairlock s—240 cwt oil cake, Glade and Co; 1,508 cwt myrabolams, A Khimjee.

FOR GLASGOW.

Asia s—15 casks Indian condiments, H Muncherjee and Sons.

FOR BREMEN.

Argentels s—235 bales cotton, Forbes, Forbes and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Victoria s—3,000 cwt bonemeal, Croft Mody and Co; 21 bales rags, S A Gubbay; 6,000 cwt bonemeal, The Bombay Co; 25 hogsheads melinoodimeats, D Dadabhoy; 14 casks Indian condiments, M Poonjiajee and Sons; 11 bales hides, Pestonjee E Byce.

FOR ANTWERP.

Kt Erratt s—55 bales cotton, A Blaschock and Co; 110 bales cotton, The Bombay Co; 8,000 cwt linseed, Moolee Jamali; 7,031 cwt rapeseed, J A Begbie and Co.

Bolton Hall s—4,000 cwt rapeseed and 4,000 cwt linseed, Volkart Brothers; 20 bales hemp, Edjee Cowersey; 1,000 cwt myrabolams, Wasjee Becher.

FOR HAMBURG.

Argentelis—110 bales cotton, Glade and Co; 273 bales cotton, A Blaschock and Co; 632 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 100 cwt woodseed, Bauer and Krause; 220 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 1,932 cwt myrabolams, J A Begbie and Co.

Dunolly s—175 cwt myrabolams, A Gangjee; 400 cwt almaseed, Volkart Brothers; 4,000 cwt rapeseed, Ritchie Steuart and Co; 224 bales cotton, The New Mofussil Co; 1,001 cwt rapeseed, Forbes, Forbes and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Dunottar s—4,017 cwt rapeseed and 400 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 2,000 cwt rapeseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 2,000 cwt linseed, M Vulubhai; 75 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 203 cwt linseed, D Nantee and Co.

FOR ODESSA.

Pollneo s—750 cwt myrabolams, David Sassoon and Co.

FOR GENOA.

Deo Ballaino s—100 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co; 100 bales cotton, Walter Favri and Co; 200 bales cotton, The New Mofussil Co; 1,001 cwt linseed, Forbes, Forbes and Co.

FOR NAPLES.

Deo Ballaino s—200 bales cotton, Glade and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Ballarat s—300 bales twist, E Noordin and Co; 200 bales twist, R S N Talati and Co;

Idzumi Maru s—300 bales twist, David Sassoon and Co,

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DIVINE SERVICE.

2nd Sunday after Easter—13th April 1902.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Mattins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral. Agatter in G.
Hymns—17, 140, 37 and 330.
4 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by Rev S H Johnston.
Hymns—429 and 166 (i).
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis Simper in F.
Anthem—Send out thy Light—Guonod.
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5 p m.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.

ALL SAINTS, MALABAR HILL.

6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by Canon Ledgard.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

(Church of Scotland.)

11 a.m.—Joint Service—Paraphrase 2 tune 112, Hymns—280, 101 and 192.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Service, Psalm—63 tune 97, Hymns—103, 191 and 229—(1st), 286 (2nd). Collection for the Scottish Schools.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

8 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist—(Choral)—Preacher, Rev. Father Tovey.
10 a.m.—Children's Service.
10-45 a.m.—Matins.
5 p.m.—Evensong—(Choral)—Preacher, Rev. Father Nicholson.
Alms for the Poor.

BOWEN MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

(Apollo Bunder.)

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11 a.m. and 6 p.m.—Sermon—Preaching by Pastor.
Also Prayer Meeting on Wednesday, at 6 p.m.
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THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.

Madras Time.

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
9-30 a.m.—Mattins and Sermon.
Hymns—129, 300 and 301.
6 30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6-0 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—135, 133 and 302.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.

Afghan Memorial Church, Colaba.

7 a.m.—Choral Matins and Sermon Parade Service.
Hymns—537, 167, and 233.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
Hymns—315, 324 and 315.
6 p.m.—Choral, Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—545, 370 and 23.

ST. NICHOLAS' SEAMEN'S CHURCH,

Opposite the Main Gate of Prince's Dock.

10-30 a.m.—Matins.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon, Daily.
7-30 a.m.—Matins.
7-15 p.m.—Evensong.
The north door of the Church is left open every day till sunset for private prayer.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM,

8 a.m.—Litany, Holy Communion and Sermon by Rev. H. McNeile.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, and Sermon by Rev. H. McNeile.

THE UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Waudby Road.

11 a.m.—Joint Service at St. Andrew's Church.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes.
6 p.m.—Evening Service, Rev. W. E. Wilkie Brown, M. A.
Hymns—133, (5) and 253.
Psalm—24.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.

(Colaba Causeway.)

8-30 a.m.—Parade Service, Preacher, Rev. W. Seed
6 p.m.—Parade Service, Preacher, Rev. A J Ward
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
8 p.m.—Social Hour.

(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.)

9-30 a.m.—Preacher, Rev. W. Seed.
6 p.m.—Preacher, Rev. E. W. Fritchley.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.

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The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 1902.

TOLSTOY: HIS LIFE AND WORK.

MR. JOHN COLEMAN KENWORTHY has just published a volume entitled "Tolstoy: His Life and Works," which claims in the preface to be "the only sincere and thorough estimate of Tolstoy that has as yet been given to the public." The author has had the advantage of a friendship of eight years with the subject of his appreciation. Two visits that he paid to Leo Tolstoy in Russia only served to strengthen the admiration and reverence he had cherished for the "Prophet of Europe" from the time that he first read his book. Tolstoy to him is "the man who tells the truth, l'homme qui terrible du monde, the most dangerous of men for the dishonest to encounter. He combines Ruskin, William Morris and Tolstoy in a great trinity of idealists inducting a new era." No set biography is here attempted, his aim is to describe the man's spiritual influence, the purpose and scope of his works, and to promote a truer understanding of the great writer. It is difficult to say that he succeeds, though he is an ardent disciple, and as such he can see no flaw in the Master. He admits the revolution of ideas that changed the whole current of Tolstoy's life and writings and the consequent change in the attitude of the world towards him, but considers it a growth in virtue, in strength. Tolstoy was formerly admired by the learned, he is now pitied and opposed by them, he was not the idol of the poor, who now understand him better, and he writes and labours for their betterment. He practises what he preaches, which is so rare a proceeding, that men pause, and wonder, then either admire and imitate or pass on their way, deciding that he is a little mad. He preached against the possession of property, and gave up his own—his family hold it still, and he lived with them for many years, on the relinquished domain, but this he could hardly decline to do, having regard to family ties. But he worked at manual labour as well as at the production of his wonderful books, the property in which he also gave to the public. Tolstoy in his various books, has practically written his own life, he is the Ivan Irteneff of "Childhood, Boyhood and Youth," he pictures himself freely there up to the time of his entrance on Un versity life. In "The Two Hussars" he gives a candid account of his service in the army, and does not spare himself, indeed he confesses so honestly to the breaking of most of the commandments that those critics, who wish to depreciate his later virtuous strivings, point to him as a worn-out sinner. He is again Levine in "Anna Karenina" and the happy marriage he entered into when he was thirty four is the part of the story. From that period to his fiftieth year, Tolstoy devoted himself to the care of his estates, the good government of his labourers, literary pursuits and social and economical work of every kind. He grew famous, he was rich, his numerous family were a joy to him.

Then at fifty the philantropist was so miserable that he had to resist with all his might the temptation to suicide, putting ropes and weapons out of sight. He had what might be described as a spiritual crisis, feeling the inconsistency of his theories with his actual relations with the poor. His books "My Confession" and "What Shall We Do Then?" give the key to that state of his mind. He finally decided that the true simplification of his doubts was "to work to keep himself," to be no burden on any one and that in so doing he was helping the poor far better than by making them money presents. It was then he objected to the existing order of society, saw no advantage to the people in the services of governments, armies, ministers of religion, scientists, or artists, and he has ever since inveighed against them. He cast aside all creeds, but strange to say, selected as a guide to the conduct of his life the Sermon on the Mount. The most absolute self-control, indeed self-abnegation, became his ideal. That he had to suffer in working out this rule of life, we can easily believe, and that his own family were as slow to see the beauty of such unselfishness as worldly outsiders, there can be as little doubt. Of Mr. Kenworthy's visits to Tolstoy we do not hear enough. His first was in 1895, his second in 1900. The journey of the disciple to Moscow is pleasantly described. He did not appreciate the dead level of the plain in Northern Europe. "About fifty miles from Hanover" he says "we passed a sandhill and once at least the train went through a cutting which rose higher than the carriage roofs. These, Heine's lyrics, the higher criticism, and the Kaiser's notions of his authority are the most elevated things to be discovered in North Germany." When he reaches Moscow and enters Tolstoy's house he finds the great man in a large plainly furnished room. In the light of one candle, beside a round wooden table at the farther end, a dark bent man's figure with loose, iron-grey hair, is sunk in an arm-chair. He rises; a seemingly tall, spare form, somewhat stooping, covered with a long, loose, dark blue blouse; the strong, and rugged features, deep eyes and prominent brow are there; it is Leo Tolstoy." Of what their conversation was we learn too little. The five o'clock vegetarian dinner is simple enough. As to Tolstoy's alleged fallings-away from his professed principles we are told they are as impossible to imagine as would be "a story of the editor of the "Times" acting as principal in a prize fight, or of the Queen of England dancing before a street-organ." We have to be satisfied with a nebulous description of the great writer's communication with Mr. Kenworthy during the visit, and elaborate deductions from the writer's own impressions. He felt himself "in the presence of a mastermind . . . the chief charm in meeting Tolstoy comes of the feeling that, with him, all mists of pretence have banished in a clear noon light of sincerity." He talked of having done all he could to deserve the persecution of his Government, and of the sadness of finding that acts intended "for true and loving acts lead to anger, bitterness and even malice in those we love," referring evidently to the opposition of his family to his adopted way of life.

Mr. Kenworthy's enthusiasm foretells for Tolstoy that "he will stand to Russia as Dante to Italy, Shakespeare to England, Goethe to Germany, and greater than these." Many believe him deranged, and fanatic, but this writer calls him the simplest and sanest man he has ever met, and he speaks of him as the greatest power in the world to-day. Though he is the declared enemy of militarism, no one dares to lay hands on him. He wants Christians to be logical; they are told to love their enemies, so they gather armies and fleets to murder them, they swear on the Book, that says "Swear not at all" and their institutions break the law that should be divinely strong. Tolstoy abstains from alcohol, does not smoke, is a vegetarian and his own servant. His writings are so censored in Russia that little if any of them are published as he wrote them and those who read him are punished. He wrote to the Minister of the Interior, it seems, asking that he, the source of the books, should be dealt with not his readers, but apparently without effect. In Mr. Kenworthy's book, we have an interesting series of essays on Tolstoy's teaching and life given with intense sympathy and strengthened by the fact that in all subjects, except spiritualism—and there Mr. Kenworthy goes further than his Master—he sees eye to eye with the Russian philosophy. He strives earnestly to show Tolstoy as a consistent leader of men, he deprecates the view that is held by many people in many lands that the good in his teaching is negatived by his abstract condemnation of all imperial systems of government and of all performances of service by one person for another. There is no fear that the human race will, with one accord, reduce Tolstoy's ideal to practice, but as elucidated here it is admirable and makes for perfection. Tolstoy's talents and rugged independence have long marked him out as one of the most gifted and singular men of the age. He enjoys the rare privilege of being a prophet in his own country although his Government condemns him and has long tried to stifle his voice.

AGRICULTURE IN NORTH WEST PROVINCES AND OUDH.

THE report on the operations of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture of the North-West Provinces and Oudh for the year ended September, 1901, shows that substantial progress has been made during the year in agricultural survey and experiment. The total area surveyed by the department during the season was 3944 square miles, and the area in which field record-writing was completed was 3,782 square miles, the difference being mostly due to some survey officers having pushed on their survey at the expense of the record-writing in order to obviate the necessity for heavy revisions next year. There were 1,529 patwaris in the area under survey. In Asamgarh, Galaun, Farrukhabad, Etanah, Pampuri, Etah, and Aligarh traverse operations were carried out, and a total area of 2579·46 square miles was traversed at a cost of Rs. 69,538-9-7. There only remains now a small area of 900 miles in Etate to traverse. During the year enquiries were commenced into the nature of the "rusts" that prevail in the provinces, but these are only in their preliminary stages. No satisfactory opportunity has yet occurred for a complete trial of the fungus for exterminating locusts, but reports appear to show that it is not likely to be successful in dry weather. Grass hoppers, which attacked the crops and which at first were thought to be locusts, were not affected in the least by the fungus. The virus for the destruction of rats also had not had a satisfactory trial. It would not withstand the temperature to which it was subjected in transit, and its price, too, was found to be prohibitive. During the year the volume of the imports from Thibet were almost identical with those of the previous year, but their value was less by Rs. 18,000. Exports to Thibet were also larger as regards weight, but they also decreased in value. The export trade with Nepal was the heaviest since 1887-88 and compared with the previous year it showed an increase of four lakhs of rupees. As regards inland traffic there was a falling off owing to the disappearance of famine. The distribution of seed continued from the three main centres from which this branch of the department's business is carried on. The work done by the Cawnpore Farm continues to develop. Over 10,000 lbs. of wheat were sent out to the seed depots, and the demand for acclimatised cotton and for gir dulcis was more than could be complied with. At the Meerut Farm and the Partabgarh depot also large quantities of seeds were distributed. The operations in this department have yielded a small profit and this is to be employed in extending operations. At the Agricultural School the reports continue satisfactory; the total number of the students in residence is 55; and no change has been made in the curriculum. The question of developing the school into a college was raised during the year and a scheme, which is generally approved, has been prepared. During the year attempts were made to encourage the Rohilkand export trade in hemp fibre, which has largely increased as the result of short supplies from the principal hemp producing countries. Assurances have been received that if the quality of the fibre can be maintained it will secure a permanent place in the European market. This is an object worth striving for.

THE NAVAL REVIVAL.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD'S plea for greater naval efficiency has brought to the memory of a special correspondent of the "Pall Mall Gazette" the Fashoda crisis, and the awakening at the Admiralty which that incident brought about. From Fashoda, he argues, dates the day of better things in connection with our fleet. At that time we were a long way from being ready to undertake war at sea at short notice. Certain it is that since Fashoda there has been a general revival at the Admiralty, but whether that crisis was the real instigating cause it matters little. Warning flutters in the waves of national politics very often bring to light the comparative unpreparedness of our arms for war. And it has been a significant fact during the present struggle in South Africa that Army reorganization should be in progress at one and the same time as operations on the field of battle. The battle field is hardly the place to make experiments. Such experiments are much too costly. The Fashoda crisis discovered us with ships unmanned, with a Reserve Fleet possessing skeleton crews and all unfit for sea; but the scare that followed opened the eyes of the Admiralty; and since then the revival has continued. Our crews have gained in efficiency, our Reserve has lost much of the antiquated look which then characterised it, and the Admiralty is fully alive to the fact that our Fleet is intended to be used in time of war and not merely to ride, and become obsolete, on the smooth waters of our harbours or to grace magnificent naval ceremonials. However though the inaction of recent years has given place to activity—opened-eyed activity—that is reassuring, advocates of increased naval efficiency can do no harm by keeping alert. England is sometimes lethargic. Sometimes her desire for fact pure and simple leads her to overlook or ignore advantageous suggestions, which because they are largely imaginative, she considers valueless. Thus it is we find ourselves out-done in matters of science and of invention by other nations whose speculative tendencies are broadened by imagination. We have no institution corresponding, for instance, with the French Academy where inventions are fostered and subsidised. Too often, indeed, are English inventions snapped up by other countries who are willing to pay the price of genius. As an example, for years France has been engaged in making careful experiments with the submarine boat, and at the present time submarine boats are by no means the least significant factor of her naval equipment. It is only quite recently—a matter of months,—that England has taken up the question at all, and even then with an air of diffidence that betokens suspicion. However the Admiralty has shown recently, in a very practical manner that it is fully alive to the necessity of putting our fleet into a better state of preparedness than it was a year or two back. With that object in view they may be relied upon not to overlook any detail that would conduce to greater efficiency.

THE FOOTBALL AND CRICKET SEASON.

IT is pleasant to notice that in spite of the unusually warm weather we have been experiencing lately, local football and hockey players are determined to make an early start this season. Time was, not so very long ago, when the months of March, April and May were practically a dead letter, as far as field sports were concerned. This was a state of things that could not, however, be expected to last and the early start made by footballers and hockey players last season and this is a good augury for a better state of things in future Both football and hockey players have engaged in several friendly games during the last three weeks, and the two branches of sport will soon be in full swing. Turning to cricket we regret to find that so far very few players can be induced to turn out for practice at the nets. The Gymkhana ground and the native Gymkhana grounds are of course the only places where net practice can be had, the Oval in its present state being hardly suitable for cricket. The prospects of the Gymkhana can hardly be described as good and it behoves all players who intend assisting the club to put in as much practice as possible. Nearly all of last year's best players have left Bombay or will be leaving before the season commences. In this way services of the following will not be available: J. T. Weatherby, who has been posted to the staff of the Commander-in-Chief; P. M. Heath, who has rejoined his regiment at Ahmedabad; L. E. S. Ward, who has been transferred to Africa; S. N. Powell, who is proceeding home on leave; E. L. Sale, who has been posted to Thana, and M. F. R. Wingfield, who is on detachment duty at Deesa. Sale may be able to assist occasionally, but Captains A. C. Edwardes and L. M. Deas, who have been in Bombay during the cold weather, are uncertainties, while A. C. Norman, who, it was hoped, would make his debut in Bombay cricket this year, has qualified for an appointment in the Staff Corps and has been posted to a regiment in the Punjab. The only new players we can hear anything of are Captain J. D. W. Davy and C. H. Frith, both of the Oxfordshire Light Infantry.

THE s. s. "Knight Companion" has been totally submerged and no part of the hull now appears above water. Her cargo has been scattered and one thousand bags of flour have been picked up at Katsuura and 3,263 bags at Onabuku and Iwatada. Work has been started on the raising of the wreck which, as already reported, has been bought by Mr. Sasawo Shojiro of Yokohama.

THE evidence before the University Commission on Tuesday, was of more than usual interest. Dr. Thibaut, Principal of the Muir Central College, was the first witness. He had nothing to say in praise of higher education as it is understood in India, and in the United Provinces he averred that there was practically no higher education at all, with the doubtful exception of English literature Temedy this state of matters, Dr. Thibaut would institute a teaching University devoted to the more advanced studies. Instruction would be imparted by men who were really entitled to speak with authority on the branches of knowledge with which they dealt, and there would be an endeavour to make the institution in a sense national.

DR. J. POLLEN, I. C. S., Bar.-at-Law, Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari left by Mail on the 9th, on tour in Gozarat. He is staying at the Residency Baroda with Lieut.-Col. M. J. Meade, C. I. E., the Resident.

IT is as well that passengers to Simla should know that plague exists in the Kalka bazar, so that they may prevent their servants from straying.

THE Universities Commission left Allahabad for Lucknow yesterday. The Commission arrives at Simla on the 19th, and begins its meetings there on the 21st instant.

MR. J. B. FULLER, Secretary to the Government of India in the Revenue and Agricultural Department, will leave Simla on the 18th instant to take up the officiating appointment of Chief Commissioner of Assam.

The plague returns for the week ending the 5th instant show 23,286 deaths, against 23,824 in the week preceding, and 11,606 in the corresponding week of last year. The principal figures are: the Punjab, 14,871 against 16,675, Bombay Districts 3,170 against 3,142, the United Provinces, 1,570 (the figures for the preceding week were not received), Bengal Districts, 1,256 against 1,777. Bombay City, 947 against 816, Calcutta, 689, against 550. Jammu, 263 against 416, Mysore State 148 against 173.

IN the suit for alleged defamation filed by J. M. Curseetjee against the Secretary of State for India, the Appeal Court, composed of the Hon. Mr. Justice Candy and the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, gave their decision yesterday on the appeal filed by Government from an order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Starling. Their lordships held that the defendants should make as affidavit of documents in their possession and answer interrogatories at the instance of the plaintiff. With regard to the other part of the order as to inspection of State papers their lordships held that the order was wrong and made without jurisdiction and that the defendants would be justified to object to the inspection of any particular document on valid ground shewn. Each party was directed to pay his own costs.

In philosophy, for example, they would endeavour to effect a co-ordination of Hindu and Western thought, as this was needed to bring the subject home to the minds of Indian students. Indian history, Indian philology, etc., would also receive special attention. The simplest plan to effect this change would be to ure the Muir Central College as the nucleus. Before concluding his remarks, Dr. Thibaut made some dignified and effective comments on the evidence given before the Commission a day or two ago by the Rev. J. P. Haythornthwaite of St. John's College, Agra. Mr. Homesham Cox, Professor of Mathematics in the Muir Central College, Mr. Hill, Professor of Natural Science, and others, also gave evidence.

A new troglodyte relics were discovered by Japanese, a peasant named Kitazawa in his mulberry-field, Aza Odorida, Okamura, Kamisuwa-gori, Shinshiu province, as he was working there on the 22nd ult. He first unearthed a sword which was so covered and eaten with rust as to be scarcely recognisable; then an iron bow and a basin, etc. It is reported that the latter was engraved on the upper side, and that the cave contained several other pieces of earthenware, but they were all reduced to powder when he touched them with his hoe, and their form could not be clearly distinguished. They are supposed to be ancient relics of the cave-dwelling period. Another discovery of old coins bearing Chinese characters is reported from Higashi-bori, Chojimura in the same district.

A CURIOUS story is reported by a Japanese vernacular paper to the effect that a woman named Fujiye, wife of a man named Yamada Asataro, living at Aza Hama, Usuno-mura, Higashi-gori, Oita-ken, gave birth to a boy recently. One peculiarity about the newcomer was that he never opened his hands. Suspecting something wrong, the midwife forcibly opened them when she found that a gem resembling crystal had been tightly clasped in either hand!

In his evidence before the Universities Commission at Allahabad on Monday, Mr. Alex Monro, Inspector-General of Education in the Central Provinces, gave an account of a text-book prescribed by the Calcutta University, Sir William Butler's Life of Gordon, a book which quotes with approval the saying of some one that the Indians are prevented from mutinying again by being starved by Government. As Mr. Monro drily remarked, that may be true or it may not, but it is scarcely the thing to teach boys. If this is the kind of text-book

TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

CONFERENCE OF BOER LEADERS.

LONDON, APRIL 10.

General Ian Hamilton has assumed the command of the Klerksdorp district.

Mr. Brodrick, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said that Schalkberger and Botha and the other Transvaal representatives, besides Steyn, De Wet, Delarey and three members of the Orange Government had arrived at Klerksdorp, but no communication had been received from them except regarding their safe conduct.

APRIL 11.

The drive in the North-east of Orange Colony resulted in the capture of sixty prisoners and a quantity of stock.

Colonel Wilkins of the Indian Medical Service has been appointed to supervise the concentration camps in the Transvaal and Orange Colony.

CASUALTIES IN SOUTH AFRICA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 11.

The following casualties are reported from South Africa :—

April 8th, at Uitvlucht, killed, Captain Clarke 87th Field Battery, slightly wounded ; Lieut French 83rd Field Battery. At Pietersborg, killed, Lieut Lincoln, dangerously wounded. Lieutenat Colonel Murray ; slightly wounded. Lieut Thompson all of the 21st Royal Inneskilling Fusiliers.

April 9th at Pietersburg dangerously wounded Lieut Kineman 21st Royal Inneskilling Fusiliers.

OFFICERS CONVALESCENT.

The following officers wounded or sick in hospital in South Africa have recovered, and returned to duty :—Lieut.-Colonels Duff, Hussars, and J. H. Damants, Damants Horse ; Major Yate, 2nd Battalion West Yorkshire Regt. Capts. Fox, 2nd Battalion Bedford ; Earle 3rd Battalion, Cheshire ; Collins, 2nd Battalion East Lancashire ; and A. P. Blackwood, 1 South Staffordshire.

Lieutenants Arkwright, 5th Lancers ; J. W. Scot, R. H. A. ; W. C. Twidale, R. F. A. ; F. H. Cobb R.E; Locke, 5th Battalion, Royal Warwickshire, Madeley and Parkhurst, 7th Battalion Royal Fusiliers Mackie, 7th Battalion Liverpool Rcfvils, 4th Battalion Somersets ; Gunthorpe 1st Battalion Yorkshire, Mathias 2nd Battalion Dorsets and Atkinson 4th Battalion Leicesters.

2nd-Lieutenants Roomer and Fitzroy 2nd, Battalion Scots Guards ; D. H. Ogilvy, R. E, Bowrioy, 1st Battalion Worcester ; East 3rd Battalion York and Lancaster ; J. Archer, 4th Battalion Durham L. I, Spalding, 3rd Battalion Highland L. I. and Barclay, 2nd Battalion Irish Rifles.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

TEA AND COFFEE DUTY IN GERMANY.

LONDON, APRIL 10.

The Customs Committee of the Reichstag has fixed the duty on raw coffee at forty marks and on tea twenty-five marks the double centner.

THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

Count von Bulow is discussing with Count Goluchowski at Vienna, the preliminaries for a renewal of the Triple Alliance.

THE LATE MR. RHODES.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S.

THE FUNERAL.

The memorial service to the late Mr. Rhodes took place at St. Paul's Cathedral to-day.

The Cathedral was densely packed and the service was most impressive and solemn.

The Lord Mayor and Sheriffs attended in their state robes.

The majority of the Ministers, Lord Roberts and every conspicuous South African, were present.

There were crowds outside who were unable to gain admission.

LATER.

The remains of Mr. Rhodes were interred yesterday on the summit of a Kopje on the Matoppo Hills in the presence of 1,000 whites and 2,000 native s. t was a simple and touching ceremonial.

RUPTURE BETWEEN ITALY AND SWITZERLAND.

The relations between Italy and Switzerland have been broken off, the former resenting the inaction of the authorities at Berne, regarding certain articles insulting to the memory of King Humbert.

THE DISTURBANCES IN BELGIUM.

DYNAMITE OUTRAGES.

SERIOUS RIOTING IN BRUSSELS.

The situation in Belgium has become more grave. Several dynamite outrages have taken place and a general strike is ordered for Monday.

LONDON, APRIL 11.

The Socialist and Anarchist rioting in Brussels last evening culminated at midnight when the tramway was torn up and barricades raised in front of the Maison Peuple, the Socialist headquarters.

The police were pelted with the street cobble stones and one hundred shots were exchanged. Then bayonet charges were made and forty wounded and the street cleared.

THE KILT ABOLISHED FOR FIGHTING.

LONDON, APRIL 10.

The abolition of the kilt as a fighting dress has caused regret in the Highland Regiments in South Africa.

It is explained that the order is due to the conspicuousness of the dress at Elandslaagte and elsewhere.

THE BOUNTY TO TIME-EXPIRED MEN.

Lord George Hamilton, replying to a question in the Commons, said that India will pay half the bounty of the time-expired soldiers whose retention saved India ten pounds per man for transport.

THE CHINA MEDAL.

Lord George Hamilton has announced the issue of the medal for the operations in China.

COTTON DUTY IN AUSTRALIA.

The Australian House of Representatives have fixed a five per cent. duty on cotton and linen piecegoods.

INCREASE IN CANADIAN MILITIA.

APRIL 11.

Canada has adopted a scheme for increasing her Militia, which now numbers 35,000 to 100,000 men.

AUSTRALIAN FRANCHISE BILL.

The Australian Senate has read the Franchise Bill a second time. The Bill includes Women's Suffrage.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, APRIL 10.

The Bombay Mails of the 29th ultimo arrived at Brindisi to-day.

On March 2, at the Hongkong Magistracy, Albert Marshall, chief steward of the s.s. Peru, was again placed in the dock and further evidence led against him on the charge of having, on the 23rd January last, attempted to murder Captain Pillsbury, of the "Peru," by firing at him with a rifle. Mr. Hazeland committed the prisoner for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

SIMLA, APRIL 11.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Colonel Gore, Surveyor-General, has five months' extension of leave.

The Hon. Mr. Ibbetson and the Hon. Mr. Hardy succeed Sir Charles Rivaz and Mr. Fuller on the board management of the Indian People's Famine Trust.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

It is notified that the Secretary of State has decided that Senior Military Hospital Assistants, shall in future, be eligible for admission to the order of British India and has accordingly sanctioned the addition to the present establishment of the order of three appointments to the first and five to the second class.

The following I. M. S. probationers are gazetted Lieutenant and posted to Bombay :—R. L. Hagger, R. M. Carter, T. F. Paterson, D. C. Baker, R. M. Barrow and L. P. Farrell.

Second-Lieutenants R. Whatford, 3rd Bombay Light Infantry, and Orton, 4th Bombay Rifles are admitted to the Staff Corps.

Lieutenant Dunlop, 5th Bombay Infantry, is posted to the Supply and Transport Corps.

I. M. S. Bombay Establishment, Majors R. W. S. Lyons, J. P. Barry, and A. V. Anderson to be Lieutenant-Colonels, and Captains J. Jackson, A. Street, and J. B. Jameson to be Majors.

Hyderabad Volunteer Rifles—Captain Gribble resigns his commission.

The Volunteer Officers decoration is conferred on Captain A. Thomson, Poona Volunteer Rifles.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Lieutenant C. J. Kendal to officiate as Staff Officer Bombay Dockyard, vice Commander Beauchamp.

CONGRATULATORY MEETING.

AHMEDABAD, APRIL 10.

A large and influential public meeting of the Mahomedans was held this evening, under the presidency of the city Kazis hob. Several leading Mahomedans were present. Hindus also joined, and a resolution expressing great rejoicing at the appointment of Mr. Abdullamian Koreshi, M. A., to the Provincial Civil Service, and thanking Government for the same, were unanimously passed. Several speeches by Mahomedans and Hindus eulogising Mr. Abdullamian's great abilities were made. Much enthusiasm prevailed in the meeting.

THE VICEROY'S TOUR.

SPORTS AT THE CAMP.

MANUKOTA, APRIL 10.

The Viceroy spent a quiet day in camp, there being no news of a kill, a storm that broke over the place last night probably being the cause of this. In the afternoon, some sports were got up in camp, tent-pegging, sheep cutting, &c., being indulged in. A detachment of Imperial Service Lancers, which formed the Viceroy's escort, gave a very good performance.

LADY CURZON AT HYDERABAD.

Lady Curzon returned to Hyderabad this morning, in a special train to attend a purdah party of officials' wives invited to meet her Excellency at the Residency by Mrs. Birr.

THE GRAND DUKE BORIS.

ARRIVAL AT BARODA.

BARODA, APRIL 10.

His Imperial Highness the Grand Duke Boris and suite arrived here this morning, accompanied by M. De Klemme, the Consul-General for Russia. The party are the guests of his Highness the Gaekwar, and are staying at the Nazarbagh Palace, where the famous collection of jewels is stored. These were inspected soon after the Grand Duke's arrival. Afterwards he visited the State elephants, and then rode through the town on one of the largest to the place where the gold and silver cannon are kept. There will be a "cheetah" hunt and sports in the arena during the Grand Duke's stay. Dr. J. Pollen, Commissioner of Customs, arrived with the Grand Duke, and is staying at the Residency.

INDIAN VOLUNTEERS FOR THE CORONATION.

HYDERABAD (DECCAN), APRIL 11.

Messrs. Clarke and Marrett are selected to represent the Hyderabad Volunteers at the Coronation.

KARACHI, APRIL 11

Sergeant Thomas Critchell and Color-Sergeant Jehangir Cowasjee Khambatta are selected from the Sind Volunteer Rifle Corps for the Coronation Contingent of Indian Volunteers.

THE SERVICES.

Mr. Hill, Inspector General of Forests, who is proceeding on leave, gives over charge in Bombay to Mr. Wroughton, who officiates during his absence.

Mr. Eliot, Meteorological Reporter to the Government of India, proceeds on six months' leave in May.

Major Long continues to officiate as Director-General of the Survey Department during the absence on five months' extented leave of Colonel Gore.

THE FAMINE COMMISSION INQUIRY.

The Local Governments concerned have reported on the various points suggested for inquiry by Sir Antony Macdonnell's famine commission, and the orders of the Government of India on the subject are likely to issue very shortly.

The reduction reported a week ago in the numbers under famine relief throughout India has been followed by the rise of a very similar amount this week and little change in the situation can be expected at present. The most striking feature recently brought to notice is the extent of distress prevailing in Western Baluchistan where winter rains were a complete failure.

THE FAMINE.

DROUGHT IN WESTERN BELUCHISTAN.

RIVERS DRIED UP.

Between Kirtaka and Kohi-Malik-Siah on the Perso-Baluch Frontier the drought is widespread and many of the inhabitants of Sar-bad are reported as reduced to supporting life on the roots of the asafoetida plant.

Helmond River is lower than it has been fo many years and the Gaud-i-Yizeh river, usually a large stream, has dried up completely, a thing which has not previously occured for half a generation.

Good rain fell last month in Kohipasht district and to the north of the Nushki route.

THE DURBAR AT PESHAWAR.

The durbar the Viceroy holds this month at Peshawar is to be an imposing affair. It is understood that the Mehter of Chitral will be amongst those who will attend.

THE INDIAN TEA TRADE.

RESTRICTION IN THIBET AND CHINESE TURKESTAN.

CALCUTTA, APRIL 11.

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce have addressed a letter to the Government of India in the Finance and Commerce Department on the subject of the trade in Indian tea with Thibet and Chinese Turkestan. Enquiries show that practically no Indian tea is drunk in Thibet and very little in Chinese Turkestan.

It is pointed out that under the trade regulations which were appended in 1894 to the Sikkim-Tibet Convention of 1890, it is open to the Customs authorities at Yatung to levy an import duty equivalent to 6d. per pound on all Indian tea, a rate of duty which, amounting to from 150 to 200 per cent, on the value of the very inferior description of tea drunk in Tibet would prove an exceptionally severe tax. In Chinese Turkistan trade in any description of tea other than that upon which duty has been paid in China proper is prohibited.

The Chamber see no valid reason why Indian tea should be placed in Thibet on a different footing from other produce and why the prohibition in Chinese Turkestan should not be abolished. The Chamber think that probably easiest way of surmounting difficulties in Thibet would be the repeal of the clause of the regulation of 1894 which refers to the rate of duty and to admit Indian tea into Yatung at the same rate as is charged on other merchandise.

So far as Chinese Turkestan is concerned it would probably be sufficient, the Chamber think, to a one or two frontier stations to the list of Treaty ports and to require that at these stations, as at Yatung, Indian teas should not be more heavily taxed than other commodities.

DACOITY NEAR YERROWDA JAIL.

PROPERTY ROBBED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, APRIL 11.

A dacoity took place near Yerrowda Jail last night in the house of the Hospital Assistant, Mr. Varkar Pandurang.

The dacoits numbering fifteen came near the house and piled a good quantity of stones and began to pelt on the house, smashing the glasses of the windows, and entered in the room, where the family of the doctor had slept.

Some fearful noise was heard by the family and they at once raised a cry. They entered in another room where the dacoits threatened them to kill. Meantime the cry was heard in Jail and Messrs. Allen, the Deputy Jailor, with MacKenzie, the Jailor, came near the place and found the dacoits running away, taking with them nearly Rs. 300 worth of property. The dacoity took place near the police gate at Yerrowda Jail.

THE CORONATION REPRESENTATIVES FROM INDIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 11.

Sir Edward Law and Mr. Richard Dane represent the Finance Department of the Government of India at the Coronation at Home.

Mr. Hill, Inspector-General of Forests, acted as Officer of the Survey of India will represent the Revenue and Agricultural Department.

Other branches of the service will also be represented by officers on leave, who will be given places in Westminster Abbey, where they will appear in uniforms they are entitled to wear.

THE POONA TRAGEDY.

ACCUSED SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Purshotam Bhagvat, a weaver, who shot four persons lately in the city of Poona, was sentenced to death by the Honorable Mr. Aston, Sessions Judge.

THE BRITISH BUDGET.

ANTICIPATING NEW TAXATION.

SPECULATIONS AT LLOYDS.

ALLAHABAD, APRIL 11.

The London correspondent of the "Pioneer," wires:—

Lloyd's Insurance rates on Tuesday evening against the provisions of the coming Budget were as follows: Against income-tax 60 guineas, increase in sugar tax 50 guineas, wheat 60 guineas, tea 40 guineas and 50 per cent increase for petroleum.

There were no enquiries in tea circles and no increase is anticipated, but considerable clearing is proceeding.

SHOOTING FILIPINOS.

OFFICER COURT-MARTIALLED.

The special London correspondent of the "Pioneer" cables :—

At the court-martial of Major Waller, of the Marines, for shooting natives in the Philippines the accused admitted executing eleven natives, but pleaded the orders of General Smith, enjoining their extermination.

Two other officers have confirmed the statement.

LORD WOLSELEY AT DURBAN.

A special London cablegram to the "Pioneer" says :—

Lord Wolseley has arrived at Durban, but does not go up-country.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO AN OFFICER.

AGRA, APRIL 11.

Colonel Reid, commanding the 4th (P. A. V.) Rajput Infantry, has met with a serious accident whilst pig-sticking.

ANOTHER OUTBREAK IN GOA.

BARRACKS BURNT DOWN.

TWO SOLDIERS KILLED.

The Ranes have again revolted in the Satary District. The Desai of Suria has gone off with five thousand followers. The military barracks at Valpoy has been burnt down and two soldiers killed.

A [company of a hundred soldiers], under the command of Ensign L. Menizes, has left for Sanguem.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Notifications in the "Gazette of India" are published, announcing that the 8th Madras Infantry is to be mustered out at Rangoon ; a new battalion of the Gurkhas to be raised in its place at Theyetmyo to be ordinarily stationed in Burma, though recruited for general service. Also that the 2nd, 6th and 24th Madras Infantry are to be mustered out at Fyzabad, Nowgong and Secundrabad respectively, class regiments, two bearing the same names to be raised to replace them at those stations.

These three last named reconstituted regiments will be linked together with the regimental centre at Secunderabad and each will consist of four companies of Punjabi Musalmans—comanies of short statured Jat Sikhs and two companies of Rajputs.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. M. Sinclair and Captain F. P. Randle, R. E. Revert to home establishment.

Major Yate officiates as Commandant 29th Balochis.

Mr. Hobart Hampden is gazetted to officiate as Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle Central Provinces, vice Mr. Symthies on leave.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PLYMOUTH, APRIL 10.

The P. and O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. Caledonia arrived here this afternoon.

ADEN, APRIL 11.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Golconda left here yesterday evening.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, APRIL 10.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady, Surats Arrive.

Good Bhowsuggar 3 31-32.

The Manchester Market has been firm.

2 3/4 per cent. Consols 94 1-8

2 per cent. Rentes 101

3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan 108

3 1-2 per cent. Rupee Papers 64 1-2

Bar Silver 24 3-4

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—Total Bullion £35,300,000, decrease 100,000 Public Deposits £9,400,000, decrease £5,700,000, Other deposits £19,900,000, decrease £2,300,000, Other Securities £28,800,000, decrease £7,800,000, Notes and Gold £23,600,000 decrease £300,000. The Bank's reserve is 48 per cent. of the Liabilities.

THE SERVICES AT HOME.

INDIA OFFICE, MARCH 28.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN LONDON.

Lieut.-Col. R. Cobb, I.M.S., B.
Mr. P. C. Loyn, B. Cav.
Mr. G. Hainsworth, B.
Mr. H. Buckle, B.
Mr. H. Spence, B.
Major S. E. Prall, I.M.S., Bo.
Col. H. N. V. Harington.
Lieut.-Col E. H. Molesworth.
Lieut.-Col. I. G. Smith.
Major C. M. Ducat.
Major E. C. Stanton.
Major D. Seames.
Capt. De C. Ireland.
Capt. C. H. Evans.
Lieut. S. G. Halliday.
Lieut. H. Tatum.
Commander W. J. Beauchamp.

EXTENSIONS OF LEAVE.

Mr. A. Ross, B. Cov., 3 mo.
Mr. P. F. de la Fosse, Bo., furl. to Oct 29, 1902.
Major W. B. Bannerman, I.M.S., M., 11 days' furl.
Mr. H. C. Daniel M., 3 mo.
Mr. H. E. Sullivan, M., 6 mo. M.C.
Mr. L. E. Down, Bo., 4 mo furls.
M. H. J. Spencer, Bo., furl. on M.C. commuted 3 mo.
Lieut. H. A. Carleton, 2 mo.
Lieut.-Col. H. M. Temple, 6 mo.
Lieut.-Col. H. T. Hamilton, Assistant Engineer F. T. Ganges, 3 mo.
Major T. E. Scott, 4 mo.
Major G. C. Cawood, 5 days.
Major M. W. Baugh, 3 mo
Capt. J. W. Orchard, 6 mo
Capt. C. Milne, 3 mo.
Capt. C Hodgkinson, 3 mo.
Lieut. S. G. Halliday, 4 mo.
Lieut. W. G. Hutchinson, 3 mo.
Commander W. Chandler, 1 mo.
Frazer, 3 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN.

Capt. O. T. Ducat, B.
Mr. St. Q. Byrne, B.
Major W. R. Bannerman, I.M.S., M.
Lieut.-Col. G. N. Caulfield
Capt. W. J. Mitchell.
Capt. T. G. Blois Johnson
Capt. P. B. Haig.

According to one of the Chinese native papers, the Empress Dowager is to have a "travelling palace" built for her in Paoting, at what is known as the water Lily Ponds, or "Lien-ch 'in." The grounds there are very spacious and the buildings to be at once constructed are intended to be on a correspondingly grand scale. The Empress Dowager, it is asserted, may probably spend the hot months of this year, after her return from the mausolea. The paper is anxious to be [illegible] the money for building the new [illegible] and.

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

LONDON, MARCH 28.

DEATH OF MR. CECIL RHODES.

To say that the British nation has been plunged into inexpressible grief by the passing of the great man who has, for some years, been the greatest figure in South Africa, if not in the whole Empire, would be to use the language of exaggeration, nevertheless the premature close of a remarkable career has touched the British people more than might perhaps have been expected and with some rare exceptions even those who in his lifetime were his greatest enemies are to-day more ready to think of his good points rather than of his faults. Prominent among the former must be placed the absence of sordidness from his character. If he loved to make money it was not from motives of mere greed or for the purpose of coming home to set up an extravagantly lavish establishment in Park Lane. This is generally admitted and that he should be so much praised for this is a somewhat refreshing sign in these days when the principal object of worship with so many is the golden calf. Had Mr. Rhodes's end come suddenly, there is no doubt that it would have created a tremendous sensation, specially in financial circles. But for a fortnight previously it was foreseen that his recovery was hopeless, and accordingly arrangements were made in the city to prevent anything like panic. These arrangements included measures for safeguarding Mr. Rhodes's share in the huge commercial enterprises of which he was, until stricken down the guiding spirit, and every effort was made to stop securities being thrown on the market as a consequence of his death. How well these steps succeeded is shown by the fact that when business closed on Thursday evening quotations, so far from having declined, showed in most cases a slight rise. He died in his seaside cottage at Muizenberg, described as the Cape Brighton, i. the presence of one of his brothers, Major Elmhurst Rhodes, the faithful "Dr. Jim," and three other friends as well as his attendants and "boys." He breathed his last at six o'clock on Wednesday evening and his parting words were "So little done ; so much to do, good bye. God bless you." Sir George Taubman Goldie, who a month ago was the guest of Mr. Rhodes and with him "flying in his motor-car round the roads of the Wynberg district, sends a very interesting letter to the "Times." He tells us that Mr. Rhodes' appetite was good, and that he transacted business and responded to telegrams with the decision and promptness that must always have distinguished him from weak and vacillating minds. His first greeting to Sir G. Goldie had been: "Well I they've squeezed you out ; but they won't squeeze me out," and when Sir George advised him to arrange for the transfer of Rhodesia—as his visitor had for the transfer of Nigeria—while he had health and vigour to see some justice done to his shareholders he touched his heart significantly. But, later on, he spoke of his great railway scheme and the projected bridge across the Zambesi in a tone that convinced Sir George that he had no premonition of any immediate evil. It appears however that towards the end of last year he was aware of the precarious state of his health. He wrote from Egypt to a confidential friend, I quote from the "Times," that his heart was pressing upon his lungs, that he was suffering acute and constant pain and that no political combination should be formed on the assumption of his continued existence. This had reference to the movement set on foot amongst his old Dutch following at the Cape to induce him to return to political life. In this connection I may mention the remark of Sir George Goldie that all the Boers to whom he spoke during his recent visit to South Africa expressed their respect and liking for Mr. Rhodes, Says the founder of the Nigeria Company : "One expected that fervent loyalists in South Africa should look to him as the one necessary man; but that their admiration should be shared by the other side, is, to me, convincing proof of the greatness of his character." His own views of death are said to have been very simple. The thought of it gave him little or no emotion. "When I am dead" he said on one occasion "let there be no fuss! Lay me in the grave. Tread down the earth and pass on. I shall have done my work." But has he done his work? That perhaps is the thought uppermost in the minds of the majority of thinking people to-day. Would he, had his life been spared, been able to justify once more the designation of the great amalgamator. One of Mr. Rhodes's most intimate friends speaking to a representative of the "Westminster Gazette" said yesterday :—"Completely and loyally as he had effaced himself during the war, in the belief that this course was for the best, it is my firm belief that his help would have been of inestimable. value when hostilities are finally concluded It is quite inaccurate to suppose that Mr. Rhodes was viewed, with universal hostility by the Dutch-speaking population of South Africa. On the contrary, I am convinced that no man could have done more in the end to bring the two races together, and it is, in my judgment, the saddest feature of his passing at this moment that his services in this respect should thereby have been lost to us. This authority went on to say:—"However it might be with others. Mr. Rhodes himself, I have the best reason for knowing, never despaired of the future. Although, like so many others, he was grievously a fault as to the resistance which would be offered by the Boer, although he recognised that the task before us was immeasurably greater than had been supposed, yet he had no doubt that in the end all would come right and that a united South Africa as prosperous and contented as Canada or Australia to-day, would arise on the ruins of the pre-existing arrangements of the country. To this end he always laid down two essential conditions. In the first place, the free settlement of Anglo-Saxons on the land throught out the Orange River Colony and the Transvaal and secondly the granting of equal rights at the earliest possible moment, not only to the Dutch but to all white men. The latter was, of course, one of the foremost tenets in his political programme before the war, and it was the knowledge of this among other things which went far to assure the more liberal-minded of the Boers as to the safety of their interests in his hands." Where is the pacificator at present in South Africa? The Agent General for Natal, Sir Walter Peace, tells us that no man is essential. This is, of course, true in a sense, but as a truth may be carried too far. On the other hand we need not share the pessimism of Mr. W. T. Stead who says that with Mr. Rhodes has gone all hope of saving South Africa to the British.

The newspapers are filled with narratives of the forceful and crowded life of the departed Colossus, comments on his stupendous undertakings, and appreciations by those who knew him personally. A writer in the "Daily Telegraph" describes a dinner party he attended at Groot Schuur a few months before the Raid. Mr. Rhodes on this occasion repeated again and again that South Africa would stand towards the mother country in the same fashion as the North American colonies would have stood but for the fatuous policy which alienated them. "For good or evil" he said "you have turned the old country into one huge manufactory ; the owning of land is no longer a profession, it is a luxury. You must depend for the sale of the products of your industry on new markets under your own flag. In 50 or 60 or 100 year's time South Africa will have a bigger white population than England had in the middle of the century ; and then he observed :—"To-day they call Rhodes land grabber and thief ; a century hence they will be blessing his memory as a man who provided elbow room for their redundant population and an open market for the products of the industry by which they lived." Subsequently in London Mr. Rhodes explained why he staked his reputation on the Raid. There were, he said, three reasons. "In the first place I found old Kruger was an insuperable obstacle to the union of South Africa even for commercial purposes and for the development of the country. I tried him in every way, I could, on what you may call Afrikander principles, but it was no use ; and so long as he ruled the Transvaal the brake was on all progress in South Africa. The second reason was that the re was an English speaking majority opposed to Kruger, but at least as much opposed to seeing South Africa under the British flag. That was then but a small minority, but it was agrowing one. And if left o develop it would have become a majority when the hour came to get rid of Kruger. That would have baulked the policy for which I have struggled all my life to make South Africa an integral part of the British Empire. And the third reason was that you cannot make revolutions in these days without money, and I had at my command at that time a combination of millionaires ready to support me whom I might never be able to get together again. Such" he observed "was my position in a nutshell." The trouble he brought upon himself by that "reckless enterprise" (to use his own words) and the continuance of the war no doubt prejudicially affected his health and shortened his life. More recently he was greatly worried by a smaller but nonetheless irritating cause. I refer to the case of Princess Radziwill, the ex-Lady in-waiting to the German Empress and founder in Capetown of a journal to maintain the British Empire. Since the death of Mr. Rhodes the charges against this remarkable Princess have assumed a somewhat graver aspect and she has been committed for trial on increased bail. The papers received by the mail from the Cape tell us how ill Mr. Rhodes looked when giving evidence in this case the other day ; and one marvels that in the state of his health he should have been called upon to give any evidence at all. His doctors ought to have forbidden him to be bothered even though it led to the abandonment of the prosecution.

THE PEACE "NEGOTIATIONS."

The result of the visit of the Boer delegates to Mr. Steyn is awaited with intense interest and equally intense hope, though I confess I am unable to see in what has hitherto been allowed to transpire sufficient grounds for the almost confident belief expressed that we are on the eve of a termination o the War. Perhaps I am wrong ; I sincerely hope I may be wrong, but I hope the public are not being prepared for another profund disappointment.

STATE ACTIVITY IN AUSTRALIA.

One of the more notable event of the week, has been the lecture delivered on Tuesday in the Colonial Section of the Society of Arts by Sir John Cockburn on "The Sphere of State Activity in Australia." As the lecture will not appear in the "Journal" of the Society of Arts for a week or two yet, I am fortunate in being able to send you a precis of it by Sir John Cockburn's own hand. For the same reason also I will not attempt any analysis of it myself, but merely attempt to give you some idea of the impression it made on those present. Sir John Cockburn is always a popular speaker. He is young, of splendid physique, overflowing with perfectly disciplined energy, a man of the highest intellectual attainments and of wide practical experience of the subjects with which he deals, and an eloquent, logical and convincing speaker, never at a loss for a word, a fact, or a reparter. He is by far the most important and influential of all the representatives of our Australasian Colonies in this country. Such was the man before us ; and for his subject, it was the most dramatic topsy-turvydom of all our British preconceived ideas on technical and commercial economy, and on the relations of the State to labour, industry and trade you could conceive of. The State does everything in Australia ; there is no limitation to the assistance it gives to industry, trade and commerce, and true to the democratic instinct, the more insignificant the individual honesty endeavouring to earn his own livelihood and to build up the prosperity and power of the State, the greater the assistance given him. It was difficult to believe what was said. But presently the climax was reached when we were told that the State would receive a single pound of butter from a working farmer, send it to England in an iced ship sell it here, and on receipt of the sum received for it, safely remit the same into the hands of the man or woman who made that pat of butter! The hearty laughter which followed this statement testified to the pent up surprise with which we had listened to John Cockburn's statements, each succeeding one more wonderful than that preceding it. But this pat of butter proved the slide on which Sir John slipped. Sir Charles Dilke, who was in the chair, made a rapid note of it ; and directly he arose on the conclusion of the lecture to open the discussion, he at once acutely observed, that these state subsidies of all sorts, loans, agency assistance, &c., given to the Australian farmer, while a very fine thing, so long as it lasted for him, was a very different thing for the British farmer at the other end of the transaction in the United Kingdom. How could he compete, paying as he did entirely on his own exertions and credit, in the production of butter here, for the consumption even of his very next door neighbours with such lavishly bestowed bonuses and bounties, and otherwise artificially-fed butter produced by it might be his own brothers, or sons at the Antipodes? Then as to the whole question of State Trading in Australia, the comparison was in truth not between Australia and the United Kingdom, but between Australia and some of our large Municipalities ; for the population of all Australia did not exceed that of London. They must not forget that in the discussion of such a question. This I fear was a cruel knockdown for some of the more pustful colonists present ; and it is a fact of which the average easy-going Briton seems to be strangely ignorant, that the total population, red, white and black, of all our Colonies does not exceed eight to nine millions. Sir Charles Dilke's admirable and weighty speech made a deep impression, and the hon. Baronet on leaving the chair (which was then taken by Sir Westby Perceval) called upon Mr. James M. Maclean to continue the discussion. The latter, who was in excellent "form," and made one of the best speeches I ever listened to from him, pressed Sir Charles's argument.

THE AUSTRALIAN CLEAN SLATE.

Mr. Maclean said he had been greatly interested in Sir John Cockburn's description of the extended sphere of State activity in Australia. Many movements however in a similar direction had taken place of late years in this country, and Sir Charles Dilke had played a prominent and most useful part in them. State enterprise was by no means a new thing in England as witness the immense development of the Post Office and its allied Departments. In India, again, there existed a magnificent series of railways designed and constructed by the State. What struck him chiefly in listening to the lecture was what a fortunate thing it was for Australia to be able to begin the world with what a certain distinguished statesman was fond of calling a "clean slate." Sir John Cockburn claimed for the Australians that their economic policy was based on new ideas, and that they had outgrown the doctrine of "laissez faire" But the policy of preferential tariffs, bounties for the protection of native industries, the prohibition of coloured labour and so forth was not new. It was the old system which was common for hundreds of years to all civilized States, and which England only shook off fifty years ago after a prolonged struggle in which free trade triumphed through sheer force of intellectual reasoning. A new commercial system was then introduced, which aimed at consulting the good of the great consumer, and not of the producer in any particular trade. England in this way obtained from all the world abundant supplies of cheap food for the masses of her people, she accepted with thankfulness supplies of butter and dead meat from Australia grown by means of bounties and brought to the English market in bounty supported ships, at rates which might seem unfair to the British farmer. In the same way she accepted bounty-grown sugar, which had been an immense boon for the English consumer. With such freedom of trade England had prospered, and she was not yet weary of it. It might be useful and necessary for the State in Australia to give large grants for the purpose of opening up a new country but such action was not called for in a country like England. Similarly in a thinly populated country like Australia, which contained fewer inhabitants than Scotland, and not so large a proportion of old people, it was easy to deal with such a question as old age pensions ; but here the problem is an infinitely more complex one, and we must move more slowly. But Australia he slily added, had now taken the British Empire in tow, and it was of advantage to learn from Sir John Cockburn's paper in what direction we were likely to be drawn by her.

IMPERIAL FEDERATION.

Some persons might think that the net result of the lecture and discussion was practically to raise a demurrer to precipitate action in the direction of Imperial Federation. However that may be, say what we will, there never can be real and complete Imperial Federation so long as India is left out ; and your zealous but possibly unthinking Federationist, if he is a colonist, shows clearly what he thinks of India by his determination to exclude her inhabitants from certain portions of the Empire and to subject them to disabilities in some other portions of the King's dominions. A distinguished colonial statesman remarked to me only a few years ago : "You people in the motherland must take care or we shall have a very serious quarrel over this question of the coloured races." Even so enlightened and liberal-minded a man as Sir John Cockburn is, I believe, as enthusiastic in support of the "White Australia" doctrine as any native Australian. Sir John himself is not, as Sir Charles Dilke reminded the Society of Arts, a native born Australian and did not become a colonist until after he graduated in the London University.

MR. W. S. CAINE, M. P., AND INDIAN "DEMOCRACY."

Mr. W. S. Caine, M. P., was one of the speakers at the annual dinner of the London Indian Society—a body composed almost entirely of young Indian students—and in the course of his speech he said, according to a friendly report :—"I ask you (he was addressing himself especially to those of his listeners who, in the natural course of events, will return to India) to believe me when I say that the democratic party in this country, the party of politicians who are on the side of the people, are satisfied that there are now elements in India that ought to be immediately introduced to a share of the government of that country and ought to be made the substratum and foundation on which eventually will be erected a system of national democratic Government for India to embrace the educated natives." If, by the words "democratic party," Mr. Caine means himself and four or five other feather headed Members of Parliament, his statement may be believed ; but if he intends to imply that the liberal party as a whole, or even the Radical section of that party as a whole, are in favour of erecting "a system of national democratic government" in India, then he ought not to be believed, for there is no ground whatever for any such assumption. People leaving some six thousand or more miles from England may perhaps imagine from the way Mr. Caine talks that he, a mere faddist, has a mandate from the Democratic or Liberal party. Needless to say he has nothing of the kind and that he has no more authority to speak for Liberals in general on grave Indian problems than on the question of Local Option. In the same speech he said :—"Those of us who hold progressive political opinions believe it is the duty and responsibility of the motherland to introduce into her dependencies those Democratic institutions which we ourselves possess. It is characteristic of Mr. Caine's looseness of thought that he should misapply the word "motherland." With all the wonderful amount of knowledge he has acquired in the course of the four winters he tells us he has passed in India, he does not seem to have grasped the fundamental difference between a dependency like India and a colonial dependency.

ARRIVAL OF THE TRANSPORT SYRIA.

The Hired Transport Syria, Captain W. H. Haughton, R. N. R., arrived in harbour yesterday from Durban, which port she left on the 28th March. She has brought drafts of different regiments consisting of 12 officers and 1,105 non-commissioned officers and men. The drafts are as follows :—One officer 146 men, 2nd West Riding regiment, one officer and 150 men, 2nd Royal Scots; one officer and 146 men 1st Buffs ; one officer and 150 men West Surrey regiment; one officer and 150 men, Royal Fusiliers ; 1 officer and 150 men Connaught Rangers ; 1 officer and 150 men, 1st West Yorkshire Regt. 61 men 1st Norfolk regiment ; and 2 officers and 12 men 5th Dragoon Guards ; one officer Veterinary Department and one officer R. A. M. C. The drafts were landed at the Sassoon Dock during the course of the day and were attached to the Colaba Depot pending despatch to their destination. The following are the names of the officers.—Lieut-Col F. C. Bratson, 1st Wiltshire Regt. ; Captain H. Herrick R. A. M. C. Lieut L. M. Dunbar, 5th Dragoon Guards 2nd Lieut F. W. Salmon, 5th Dragoon Guards ; Captain J. H. M. Danis, 2nd R. Scots ; Lieut. A. G. Borsfal 2nd W. R. Regt. ; Lieut J. C. MacSwiney ; Connaught Rangers ; Captain F. Pickard, West Surrey Regt. ; Captain A. C. Roberts, Roy Fusiliers Lieut E. Baldwin Buff Regt ; Vety ; Lieut G. Condon, A. V. Dept. ; Captain A. M. Addison, S. W. Borderers ; Assist-Surgeon J. D. Souze, I. S. M. D.

MAD ELEPHANTS.

EIGHT PERSONS KILLED.

A MADRASPUR correspondent sends to a Behar paper, a thrilling account of a fight between two tuskers there. It would appear that a few days ago, two huge elephants, one belonging to Mahanta Bhikam Gir and the other to a Gosain of Sonburse, were being taken to the river for a bath. On the way the animals became restive and quarrelled with each other. In a short time they developed signs

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

BOER MISSION TO LORD KITCHENER.

STATEMENT BY MR. BRODRICK.

SCHALK BURGER TO INTERVIEW STEYN.

(From the Mail papers of March, 22.)

In the House of Commons on Monday, Mr. Brodrick, answering Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, said that about a fortnight ago, Mr. Schalk Burger intimated to Lord Kitchener his desire for a safe conduct through the British lines in order to see Mr. Steyn with reference to the possibilities of peace proposals. Lord Kitchener at once acceded to the request with the consent of the Government.

According to the Exchange Telegraph Company the matter of the peace negotiations came before the Cabinet last Friday.

Mr. Burger, the "Acting President" of the Transvaal, with Mr. Reitz, "State Secretary," and Commandants Louis Meyer and Krogh, arrived at Pretoria on Sunday by special train from Balmoral, a station on the Delagoa Bay Railway. They travelled under affag of truce. The special correspondent of the "Standard" at Pretoria says that Mr. Burger and his companions arrived by special train at twenty minutes to three. The whole party left again about five o'clock for Kroonstad, from which place they will go out under a safe conduct.

Mr. Schalk Burger and the other Delegates were stationed at Rhenoster Kop, north of Balmoral last week. When there he was greatly carried Park and other English Commanders, and on one occasion he had a narrow escape from being captured. The Boer position being increasingly hopeless, despatch riders were sent into Bamoral on Friday night, intimating that the Delegates would arrive there. The Delegates themselves reached Bamoral on Saturday, under an escort, and left immediately, by special train, for Pretoria, the escort remaining at Balmoral.

On the arrival of Mr. Schalk Burger and his colleagues at Pretoria, they drove immediately in Lord Kitchener's carriage to his headquarters, where they had an interview with him. After the interview Mr. Schalk Burger and the other Delegates proceeded to the railway station, and took the train for the Orangee River Colony.

Pretoria, Monday.—The members of the Transvaal Government, who have passed through here, are bound on a special mission to the Orange Colony.—Reuter.

Pretoria, Monday.—A telegram from Wolvehoek, in the Orange River Colony, states that the special train conveying Mr. Schalk Burger and the other Boer delegates passed through that place yesterday on the way to Kroonstad.—Reuter.

Wolvehoek, Sunday.—The Transvaal delegates were accompanied by Captain Marker, aide-de-camp to Lord Kitchener, and other British staff officers. Rumour says that the delegates favour a general surrender.

REPORTED ARMISTICE.

The "Daily Chronicle" alleges that while the negotiations are in progress there will be a complete cessation of hostilities. This journal adds:—

All offensive movements on the part of our columns against De Wet, Delarey, and Botha will be "hung up," so to speak, for it is easy to see that no conference would be possible under other conditions. The three principal Boer leaders in the field—Botha, Delarey, and De Wet—have no their part agreed, we are informed, to honourably to observe the armistice, and to refrain from offensive operations pending the return of, the envoys to the Boer lines. Should Steyn and De Wet have been won over to the side of peace, a meeting will take place betwen the various Boer leaders and Lord Kitchener. Several days, it is stated, must elapse before the decision of Steyn and De Wet can become known.

The report of an armistice must be received with caution. Lord Kitchener, in his despatches from Pretoria on Monday, speaks of operations in progress. On the other hand, it would appear natural that if Mr. Schalk Burger and Mr. Lucas Meyer have permission to meet Mr. Steyn and Commandant De Wet operations against those commandants will be suspended. The whereabouts of the "Free State Government" is not positively known. Reitz is their head quarters, and this could be easily reached from Kroonstad whether Mr. Burger went by train.

It is perhaps worth noting that the "Daily Mail" "learns on authority" that there is no question of an armistice, and that the military operations which will shortly be undertaken against Delarey will be vigorously and uninterruptedly pushed forward.

THE NEWS AT THE WAR OFFICE.

The War Office, we are in a position to state, has received official confirmation of the news. Lord Kitchener has sent more than one communication on the subject, the Department, it is understood, having been apprised on Saturday morning that a meeting between his lordship and Mr. Schalk Burger had been arranged. Another telegram with the interview reached the War Office on Sunday. Immediately on its receipt it was forwarded to Mr. Brodrick, who spent the week-end at Eastbourne. It is significant that the Secretary of State for War did not consider it necessary to alter his plans in consequence of the message. He remained at Eastbourne till Monday morning, reaching Victoria about half-past ten. And not then did he go to the War Office. He first drove to his residence, and did not reach Pall Mall till about noon.

In circles usually well-informed, although unofficial, the opi nion is held that the Boer Delegates visited Lord Kitchener, for the purpose of ascertaining, amongst other things the position of the leaders still in the field in the event of surrender. The fact that Mr. Schalk Burger and his colleagues have proceeded into Orange River Colony is taken to indicate that they have gone to communicate the result of their interview to some of the other leaders—presumably General De Wet and Mr. Steyn. Should these consultations lead to an agreement among the Boer leaders further negotiations with Lord Kitchener may be expected..

TAKING THE HINT?

It may be remembered that in the course of the recent correspondence with the Netherland Government, Lord Lansdowne, in his reply to Baron Gericke said the British Government under stood that all powers of government including those of negotiations were now completely vested in Mr. Steyn for the Boers of the Orange River Colony and in Mr. Schalk Burger for those of the Transvaal. If this be so, added the Foreign Secretary, it is evident that the quickest and most satisfactory means of arranging a settlement would be by direct communication between the leaders of the Boer forces in South and the Commander-in-chief of His Majesty's Forces, who has been instructed to forward immediately any offers he may receive for the consideration of His Majesty's Government. Lord Lansdowne added somewhat pointedly that those negotiations must take place not in Europe but in South Africa. In approaching Lord Kitchener at Pretoria, Mr. Schalk Burger and those who are associated with him have carried out to the letter the requirements laid down by the British Government.

It may be noted that in correspondence recently published between Mr. Schalk Burger and Mr. Steyn, the former suggested whether the time had not arrived for considering how the war might be brought to an end. Mr. Steyn replied that there could be no end that did not leave the Boers in the possession of independence. This was held at the time to show that Mr. Burger at least was not irreconcilable.

It is also pointed out that when ex-President Steyn's baggage was captured last summer, a letter from Dr. Reitz, dated May 10, was discovered urging the conclusion of peace, because the nation was in danger of extinction. "The time," he said, "has come to take the final step."

NO POSSIBILITY OF SIMULTANEOUS SURRENDER.

Somewhat apropos comes a letter from the special correspondent of the "Times" at Ermelo. Writing on February 21, the correspondent says:—We have as a nation no right to anticipate any other end to the war than the disappearance by death or by capture of the last Boer. This event will no doubt be hastened by numerous surrenders on the part of the enemy, either individually or in groups; but the experience of the last twelve months, together with the lack of cohesion among the Boer forces, does not favour the possibility of any combined action on their part—that is to say a simultaneous surrender of all burghers still in the field on the mot d'ordre of the Boer Government or of their several leaders.

As an indication of the temper of the Boers in the Eastern Transvaal it may be recalled that on the 20th inst., twenty-nine burghers came into the British line at Barmoral, this being the largest number of volunteers surrenders in one day.

PRO-BOER OPION.

Reuter's correspondent at The Hague says that in South African circles there the news of the arrival of the members of the Transvaal Government at Pretoria came as a surprise in. It is recalled that Lord Kitchener had instructions to communicate Dr. Kuyper's Note to the Boer leaders, and it is suggested that the journey of the Boers to Pretoria may have had something to do with negotiations arising out of that matter.

The journey of Messrs. Schalk Burger and Reitz to Pretoria and the Orange River Colony is considered by the Brussels "Petit Bleu" as the result of negotiations resumed by the British Government, which responds to the generosity of General Delarey by again proposing to the Boers, the conditions of peace as set forth in February, 1901. The Boers, it is added, will retain their independence, and will make use of their conference with. Mr. Steyn and General De Wet to elaborate their future plan of campaign.

INTERVIEW WITH MR. FISCHER.

Amsterdam, Tuesday.—The "Handelsblad" publishes the account of an interview with Mr. Fischer, the Boer delegate, who is represented to have expressed himself as follows:—"Why should we become pessimists? The position of the commandos is certainly not more unfavourable than it was last summer. The spirit of the burghers is more resolute than ever. Each report which reaches us bears witness to this spirit. Two reports came to hand quite recently. The latest of these which was received on the 15th of February, was very encouraging. It contained an account of the position of the commandos in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, and gave favourable news of all of them, declaring that they had plenty of provisions, ammunition, and rifles, and that there was no scarcity of horses. Only in the case of clothing and boots was there room for some improvement. In this respect also, however, the commandos are better off than they were last year so that the burghers are looking forward to winter with confidence and without anxiety. Mr. Steyn is in good spirits, and his courage is undiminished.

"Listen," continued Mr. Fischer, "to the very words used by Mr. Steyn. He says last year we fought hopefully. Now we are fighting with confidence, not to the bitter end, but to happy end. The report of February 15 mentioned also two great victories gained by Botha who captured convoys and prisoners, both of which victories have not yet been admitted by the English Press. There is, therefore, no cause for anxiety. On the contrary, we have every reason to be confident." On the subject of the blockhouse system, Mr. Fischer is reported to have said "If the Boers cannot hold their ground during the winter in the district enclosed the Republics contain sufficient room where the commandos are not impeded by the blockhouse lines."

The representative of the "Handelsblah" who interviewed Mr. Fischer adds: "The interview throws a peculiar light upon the negotiations which are evidently about to take place. Having regard to the spirit of the Boers and the position of the commandos it is not to be anticipated that the Boer delegates will accept terms less advantageous than those previously exacted. The course of events may, therefore, be awaited with ample confidence. It is difficult to suppose that Lord Wolseley is going to South Africa as a peace envoy, thus excluding Lord Milner from the negotiations. That would be too great and sudden a moral victory for the Boers. It is, however, an encouraging sign that at a time when the commando are more determined than ever and have been inspired with fresh courage by Delarey's victory efforts to negotiate are evidently being made."—Reuter.

SECOND CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Before Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice, and the same Special Jury yesterday, at the Bombay Criminal Sessions, the trial of the following case was resumed:—

ALLEGED FORGERY OF A WILL.

Jadowji Parmanand, Kallianjee Mowjee, Dewkaran Meghjee, Merwanjee Nanabhoy Sakiatwalla, and Rustomjee Cursetjee Banatwalla, were again placed at the bar before his lordship and a Special Jury, charged with forging the will of one Purshotum Ludha, using as genuine a forged document, and fabricating false evidence for the purpose of being used in a judicial proceeding; and abetment of these offences.

The Advocate-General, with Mr. Bahadurjee, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown, Mr. H.N. Haridas represented accused No. 1; Mr. Branson with the Hon. Mr. Mehta, instructed by Messrs. Bhalshanker, Kanga and Girdharlal, appeared for No. 2; Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin and Mr. Pundit, instructed by Mr. Sorab B, Dadyburjor, for No. 3; Mr. Rustom Wadia instructed by Mr. J. P. De Quadros, for No. 4; and Mr. Lowndes, instructed by Messrs. Crawford Brown and Co., for No. 5. The following gentlemen were on the

SPECIAL JURY.

Mr. N. S. Glazebrook, foreman.

Messrs. J. E. Kees,	Messrs. A. E. Dachesne
Krishnanath A. Kirtiker,	T. H. Hannah,
F. W. Cresswell,	L. B. Ker,
D. M. Forbes,	F. W. Gymer.

Narayendas Goculdas, a broker, remembered the second accused coming to him and borrowing a Decanee turban, which he wanted to wear in connection with the making of a forged will. Callianjee at first refused to mention why the wanted the turban and asked witness to take an oath. He then mentioned the object of the loan and asked him to accompany him. Witness refused to do so. Witness could not say where Callianjee went with the turban. Witness did not speak of the incident to any one except Thakoredas Atmaram. This incident occurred about two years ago.

Cross-examined by Mr. Branson, witness said Callianjee did not tell him whose will it was that he wanted to make. Witness was shown a statement which he admitted he had written at the dictation of a clerk employed by Mr. Kapadia, pleader. It stated that the statement made by witness before Mr. Brewin was not correct. It was done because he was asked by Mr. Brewin to make the statement. Witness denied that Mr. Kapadia asked him to state what he had to say in writing. He wrote the statement at the dictation of the clerk for fear, lest he might be beaten by the clerk and others who were sitting in the office. Witness did not mention that incident to Mr. Brewin, though he had ample opportunities to do so. Witness did not even go to his own house lest he might be beaten. He remained at his club in hiding.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Russel examined by Mr. Bahadurjee for the Crown, said he remembered taking down the statements of the accused persons in a testamentary suit heard before him. This document (produced) was put in as the will of Purshotam Ludha. His lordship read out his notes, and after refreshing his memory, said that certain statements were made by the accused persons at the time he heard the suit.

Thakoredas Atmaram, a clerk to Mr. Sealy, pleader, was called to corroborate the statements made by the witness Narayendas Gordhandas.

Cross-examined by Mr Branson: I cannot say whether Narayendas came specially to me for my opinion. Mr. Brewin asked me to give evidence in this case. I had not mentioned the incident to anybody until I mentioned it in the Police Court. I told it in the presence of five or six persons. I do not remember who they were. I do not remember to what particular person I mentioned the incident. I cannot say whether he was a Hindu or a Mahomedan.

Mr. Branson: What was the first thing that Mr. Brewin said to you?

Witness: He asked me to see him at Watson's Hotel. I cannot say how long it was after I mentioned the matter in the Police Court. I did not mention the matter to my employer. The first thing Mr. Brewin did was to ask me to point out Narayendas' house. After he returned, I had a conversation with him. Up to that request I had not said anything to Mr. Brewin. I did not tell him anything on the way. I was present at the interview between Mr. Brewin and Narayendas.

Now, what was the first thing Mr. Brewin said to Narayendas?—He asked him whether he knew anything about the will.

While you were at Narayendas's house did you make any statement to Mr. Brewin?—No. Mr. Brewin did not take down Narayendas's statement at his house.

Is your master assisting the prosecution in this case?—I don't know. How can I say?

Bhalchand Dharma, a shroff, keeping a shop in Dady Sett Agiary Lane, produced an account he had with Callianjee Mowjee.

Surajmal Lakhmichand, another shroff, gave an account of his transactions with the accused Callianjee.

Superintendent Holdway and Mr. Harry Brewin were next examined, and gave evidence similar to that given in the Police Court.

Mr. N. H. Moos, of Messrs. Payne, Gilbert Sayani and Moos, spoke of his evidence in the civil suit, in which he had communication with Saklatwalla in connection with the will.

At this stage the court adjourned till 12 o'clock to-day (Saturday).

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS.

Bombay, 11th April.

Members are requested to return all arms, accoutrements, and saddlery to Head-Quarters during the current week.

By Order,
T. W. CUFFE, Capt,
Commanding B. L. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. F. NICHOLSON, COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay 12th April, 1902,

1. Members who have not already returned their Arms and Equipment to Head-quarters are requested to do so as early as possible.

2. There will be a Meeting of the Regimental Committee at Head-Quarters at 8 p.m., on Monday next, the 14th instant.

By Order,
P. H. ROGERS, Major
Adjutant, B. V. R,

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COLONEL LOUIS P. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 12th April, 1902.

1. Members, who have not returned their arms and accoutrements are requested to do so at once.

By Order,
G. STODDART, Captain, R. A.,
Adjutant, B. V. A

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INDIA IN PARLIAMENT.

TERM OF SOLDIERS' SERVICE IN INDIA.

In the House of Commons on Friday, March 21, in the debate on the Army Estimates, Sir Charles Dilke, referring to the linked-battalion system, said:—As to the question of the term of service, the home scheme could not be considered apart from the Indian scheme. They ought to know what had been the effect of the present prolonged term of service in India, brought about in consequence of the war. He was astonished, after the language the Secretary of State had used on the importance of this side of the matter, to find that India had not been consulted in connection with the scheme. (Hear, hear.) There was a very strong case for laying papers before the House showing the thought-out opinion of the Government of India on the subject.

Mr. Brodrick, in the course of his reply, said: We had our old friend the linked battalions brought up in the course of the evening. I am glad to find that my right hon. friend the member for the For-st of Dean fully realises the great progress we have made in the direction of some of his views. So far, although he may claim credit for the theory, I think we may claim credit for the practical application of it. In regard to numbers, we have provided in the Estimates of this year 78 at home. India, as at present, takes 52; we give 12 altogether to South Africa permanently, and four in Egypt and the other Colonies, sufficient to make up 20 in all, which, with the 52 in India, makes up 72.

Sir C. Dilke: The right hon. gentleman said 15 battalions in South Africa the other day. Mr. Brodrick: I said 15,000 men. We look to having a permanent garrison of 15,000 men in South Africa when all the requirements of the war have passed away altogether. That would make 78 battalions abroad besides the eight garrison battalions. I think these garrison battalions have been treated by some hon. members with scant courtesy and with scant appreciation. I believe no real has been done in the last few years which, while at the same time utilising a strength that would otherwise be entirely lost to the country, has produced such excellent regiments,—regiments which are not only very fine on parade, but we are told, are very useful for all purposes for which they are required, and which save us from the necessity of raising 8,000 additional recruits, and in that way afford us a great relief. (Hear hear.) The right hon. gentleman complained that India has not been sufficiently consulted. In two or three years' time we may be able to judge whether it would be right to keep soldiers nine or ten years in India; but I think, generally speaking seeing what the life of the private soldier is, that six or seven years in a tropical climate is probably sufficient for most men.

Sir C. Dilke: Will the opinion of the Government of India be laid before the House of Commons?

Mr. Brodrick: The Government of India? Well, sir, I am afraid it would be no use my asking the Government of India their opinion of the capacity of the private soldier to bear the strain of a tropical climate until we have statistics on the subject. In all these matters we have been necessarily somewhat drawn away from the great question which really dominates the whole of the discussion of the estimates for the present year; that is, the change made in the terms of service and of pay. I believe that change will have a very marked influence on the whole future of our recruiting and Army system.

INDIAN RAILWAY AND WATER SUPPLY.

Monday, March 24.—Mr. H. J. Wilson asked the Secretary of State for India whether he would state what were the amounts, in tens of rupees, of capital that the Government of India proposed to expend on railways and water supply, respectively, during the forthcoming financial year and what corresponding sums were spent during the last calendar year.

Lord G. Hamilton: During the financial year 1902-1903, it is proposed to spend on the construction of railways 11,001,000 tens of rupees, and on irrigation works 1,391,500 tens of rupees. The amount allotted in the last finnical year was for railways 10,324,400 and for irrigation 1,009,900 tens of rupees.

Plague of Rats in Goojerat.—Mr. Weir asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether he is aware that for some time past there has been a plague of rats in the famine-stricken districts of British Goojerat; will he states whether the authorities in India have taken any steps to exterminate the vermin; and, if no', will he order an inquiry into the matter.

Lord G. Hamilton: The Government of Bombay is fully aware of the existence of the plague of rats in Goojerat, and the cultivators are encouraged and assisted in every possible way to exterminate them.

Russia and Persia.—Tuesday, March 25. In reply to Mr. Gibson Bowles, Viscount Cranborne said: There is reason to believe that an agreement has been in existence for some years past between the Russian and Persian Governments, under which the latter undertook not to defer until a future date the construction of railways in Persia whether by foreigners or Persians. His Majesty's Government were not parties to the agreement, and have incurred no obligation in connection with it. They have, however, taken steps to secure that whenever railway construction is commenced in Persia, adequate opening shall be afforded to British capital and enterprise. There is no correspondence that can be presented to Parliament.

Mr. Gibson Bowles asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether his Majesty's Government was aware that any negotiation was being carried on or had been concluded between Persia and Russia for the construction of a railway under Russian supervision from the Caspian or some other point on the Russian frontier to some point on the Persian Gulf; whether Russia was to have the right to construct a military or commercial port on the Persian Gulf; whether Russia had subsidised any steam company to trade between Russian ports and ports on the Persian Gulf; and whether papers would be laid before Parliament dealing with these questions, and showing the steps taken by the British and Indian Governments to preserve the "status quo" in the Persian Gulf in face of competition from the new German railway to Basra, and from Russian enterprises in Persia.

Viscount Cranborne: We understand that the Russian Government are giving assistance to certain steamers trading between Russia and the Gulf. The answer to all the other question of the hon. gentleman are, to the best of our information, in the negative. We have no present intention of laying papers.

Mr. Gibson Bowles asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether his Majesty's Government were aware that the Russian Government were negotiating or had concluded an agreement to make or guarantee a loan to Persia of 1,250,000l.; whether among the conditions of that loan, it was stipulated that Russia should have the right to make a road or railway from Tabriz to Teheran, and that a portion of the proceeds of the loan should be expended by Persia in constructing forts that will dominate the new commercial road from British India to northern Persia by Quetta and Seistan; and whether he would lay upon the table any papers relating to this subject.

Viscount Cranborne: We understand that negotiations are in progress for a loan from the Russian Banque des Prets at Teheran to the Persian Government. We are not acquainted with the details, but a concession for a road (not a railway) from Tabriz to Teheran is said to be one of the conditions. We have no reason to believe in the existence of the other condition which the hon. gentleman mentions. We have no papers which we can lay before the House on the subject.

The Delhi Coronation Durbar.—Mr. Caine asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether he has any official information showing that 250,000l. sterling has been provied in the Indian Budge for 1902-1903 for the expenses for the Delhi Coronation Durbar.

Lord G. Hamilton said: The provisional estimate for the Delhi Durbar is made under various heads in the Budget, and amounts altogether to 260,000l.

Relief of the Indian Finances.—Mr. Harwood asked the Secretary of State for India: If there is any statement, either in the Public Accounts voted by this House or in the Home Accounts of the Government of India which show the disposal of the various sums amounting to 870,000l. which we recommended by the Royal Commission on India Expenditure in 1900 to be taken over or defrayed by Great Britain in relief of the Indian finances.

Lord G. Hamilton: The statement showing the disposal of 257,50 S., made 257,000l. granted as a relief to the Indian revenues in the apportionment of the Home Charges, is given on page 5 of Parliamentary Papers 357 of 1900 (Session 2).

Extra Pay of European Forces in India.—Mr. Caine asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether any account has been taken in the Indian Budget for 19021903 of the sum of 780,000l. required for the extra pay of the European forces of the Indian Army.

Lord G. Hamilton: The hon. member is mistaken when he implies that the sum of 780,000l. is required for the additional pay of the European force in India in 19021903. The sum required under the new scheme for the year in question is, as was stated in this House by my right hon. friend, 220,000l., and for this provision has been made in the Indian Budget.

NOTICES OF MOTION, &c.

Sir Charles Dilke.—To ask the Secretary of State for India: Whether he will state what is meant in a recent order by the Commander-in-Chief in India by the dates 15 1-4 and 22 1-4 years' service, and what number of men are thus serving in India beyond the terms of their engagement.

Mr. Weir.—To ask the Secretary of State for India: Whether he is aware that many of the mud huts provided by the Government of India for the Native soldiers have doorways only four feet high, opening into a room eight feet square, with the sprioging of the ceiling barely six feet from the floor, and that these rooms are devoid of either light or ventilation; that the mud huts in which the Native officer is located consists of two small rooms, one of which is used as his office and bedroom combined, while the other is occupied by his wife and family and is without light or ventilation; and will he say whether arrangements can be made for the better housing of the Native troops.

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How many people have ever thought of Mr. Rhodes as a Londoner? It is as difficult to associate the Colossus with the metroplies as it is to associate Mr. Chamberlain with his actual birthplace, which was, of course, in London and not in Birmingham. Yet Mr. Rhodes comes of a family which once owned a great area of land in the capital, and Mr. Rhodes is himself a considerable landowner in London. One of his ancestors, who kept a large from in London when the Hanoverians were settling down on the throne of England, was known as "the cowkeeper of Islington," and the churchyard of St. Pancras bears witness to the interest Mr. Rhodes has taken in the preservation of their memories.

He has found time, in the intervals of empire-making, to erect a modest tombstone to his ancestors. Few of those who pass it, perhaps, will connect the simple "C.J.R." with the man whose name is inseparably linked with the progress of South Africa. Few of those who pass a certain gymnasium in Dalston, too, may know that this famous place of recreation is an example of the interest Mr. Rhodes still feels in London. The great South African is not wholly wrapped up in Rhodesia. He has still two thousand houses in London though their tenants may not know him as their landlord, and the Gymnasium which is attended by a hundred boys every night in Dalston, is a mark of his personal interest in his property. It was built by Mr. Rhodes a few years ago, and the ex-Premier of the Cape has been known to spend an hour there on his visits home. He has probably a personal interest, too, in the Alexandra Palace and the Foundling Hospital for his family once owned the sites of both these institutions.

There is always some corner of the world into which fame does not penetrate, and one remembers just now the curious story of a famous journalist now dead, who happened to be present at a dinner where Mr. Rhodes was one of the chief guests. It was after Mr. Rhodes had become famous, but there was at least one man at the table who knew him not. The journalist, who was the London correspondent of a New York paper, with an eagle eye for copy, was placed next to a guest who sat through the dinner with his face on his plate and spoke hardly a word. It was, to say the least, not a happy experience for an American journalist with a letter to send off the next day, and the journalist was disappointed enough to ask his friend "Who was that——fool that I sat next to at dinner?" There was one thing in the world at least that night which was not dreamt of in the journalist's philosophy, and he was crushed by the simple reply of his friend that "that——fool was Cecil Rhodes!"

Lord Rodney, whose name was in the Law Courts last week, is one of the men who have reason to be grateful for the bravery of his ancestors. The sinking of seven Spanish ships and the capture of a Spanish General over a hundred years ago are still costing the country £2,000 a year, which goes to Lord Rodney as an annual gift from the State. It was his ancestor, the famous admiral, who relieved Gibraltar in 1782, and the pension was the reward of his gallantry. It was originally granted for life, and as he died nine years later his bravery would have cost the country only £18,000, but for the fact that after his death an Act was passed perpetuating the pension for all time. That Act has cost the State something over £200,000, and Lord Rodney owes a fortune to the generosity of a Parliament of our grandfathers' days.

The United Irish League, of which so much is heard at present, has had several predecessors with more or less dangerous objects. Troubles and societies of a quasi-secret character are perpetually recurrent in Ireland. The position of the heckled candidate who, no matter what the merits of the case was, "again" the Government is a popular attitude and Government stands often in the case of Lord Castlemayne, who, refusing alms to some sharp-witted mendicants, was answered, "just chuck one tenpenny out of your coach, an' I answer it will trate all your friends in Athloe." Varying moods mark the trend of public events. Sydney Smith used to swear to the truth of the story that when the Dublin coach was stopped and robbed, the sweetest female voice in the world was heard crying from behind a hedge "Shoot the gintleman then, Patrick dear."

There have been Irishmen loyal enough to accept English titles, and Irishmen have held some of the highest positions in the Empire; but often enough the best intentions of the Irishman's friends are misconstrued. Harwood, the Irish Chancellor, had a piteous complaint from a Mayor of Drogheda, who was one of many Irishmen honoured late in the eighteenth century. "How shall I ever sell my cheese and butter now that the Duke of Dorset has made me a knight?" "Hold your tongue, you old fool," quoth Harwood, "You are well off that he did not make you a Lord." It is an old story, but not inapplicable to later affairs. A notable example in the opposite direction is Sir Gavan Duffy. He had been a political prisoner before Queen Victoria knighted him. He accepted the distinction with gratitude, and served his Queen to the end of his political days as an exemplary and a brilliant Colonial Premier. And the knighted rebel still lives to enjoy a pension from the Government which fought in the courts for his life.

Somebody has written a book on the letter "H"; and many people, no doubt, are waiting for a companion volume on the capital "D." It is an age of revivals, and one of the oddest and most unexpected is the revival of strong language in public places. Time was when Prime Ministers were less choice in their language than our Premiers are to-day; and one recalls Lord Melbourne's little way of condemning everything as a matter of course. So accepted a part of Lord Melbourne's speech was the big "D," that Sydney Smith, being anxious to cut short a conversation with the Premier, suggested that "they should assume everything and everybody to be damned, and come to the subject." It was a forgivable reproof, and Lord Melbourne probably accepted it humbly from a clergyman yet was it not Sydney Smith himself who, on being asked by a lady for a motto for her dog Spot, took the extraordinary liberty of suggesting "Out, damned Spot?"

They were days when strong language was not considered impolite even in the presence of ladies. It was a lady who bored Charles Lamb with her extravagan praise of a friend. "I know him, bless him!" the lady could not forbear exclaiming and the gentle Elia could not resist the temptation to reply: "Well, I don't but d——him at a hazard. It is not surprising that an expression which was supposed to be fit for the drawing-room of Sydney Smith was considered quite Parliamentary in the Duke of Wellington's politica days. Everybody has heard of the Iron Duke's famous speech in reply to a peer who charged him with not understanding a Bill. "Well, my lords, said the victor of Waterloo, all I can say is that read the Bill once, that I read it twice, that I read it three times, and if after that I don't understand the Bill, why, then, my lords, all I have to say is that I must be a damned stupid fellow."

The Duke had at least the grace to bring his adjectives home himself and perhaps even or House of Commen would have tolerated Mr. Dillon if he had followed his great countryman's example. But the Parliaments of our own time been invariably offended by the use of such language. Mr. Dillon was the central figure in a debate in which Dr Tanner was called upon to withdraw the words "a set of d——cads," and even the Irish doctor blushed as he denied the use of the adjective. Mr. Biggar had six years before—in 1881—been accused of calling a colleague "a d——fool," but the charge was probably unjust, as Mr. Biggar assured the House that he had not had time to form an opinion as to whether the hon. member was what he was alleged to have called him or not.

The pulpit has much to answer for, and Dr. Parker must share the responsibility of reviving the big "D." Two years ago, the telegraph carried his "God damn the Sultan" through England, and few pulpit utterances have received such universal attention. Mr. Spurgeon had a licence which he was wont to make full use of, but his congregation must have been staggered one Sunday evening as their pastor walked on to the platform at the Metropolitan Tabernacle, took out his handkerchief and rubbed his forehead, and said, slowly and deliberately, "It's d——d hot!" Two or three times Mr. Spurgeon repeated the phrase, the people listening with bated breath, and then the daring preacher explained that he was quoting the language of a man he had passed in the street, who would find that it would be literally "damned hot" for him if he did not mend his ways!

Nobody took exception to Lord Rosebery's big "D" at Queen's Hall, though it fell like a modest thunderbolt on a fashionable audience. Most people were startled, but Lord Rosebery spoke the dreadful word without a smile, consoling himself, no doubt, that he was merely quoting the Man in the Street. He was speaking of the various views of Cromwell; and observed that "the popular view is that he was a damned psalm sinking humbug." There was nothing in the ex-Premier's use of the word so daring as the application of it is made in a public speech by King Edward's brother-in-law the Duke of Argyll, who declared the Transvaal Government to be "a damned bad Governmen-."

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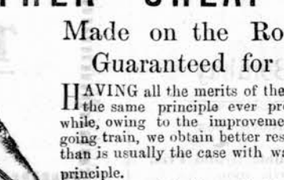

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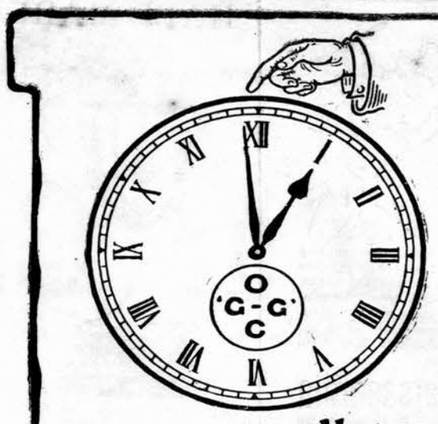

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